

### **Personal, Social and Emotional**

#### Self-Regulation: My Feelings

Learning to explore and understand feelings and begin learning how to communicate and cope with their feelings and emotions.

#### Building relationships: Special relationships

Exploring why families are valuable and understand why it is important to share.

Exploring diversity by recognising similarities and differences.

### **Physical Development**

We will be focusing on our overall body strength, balance, co-ordination, and agility. We will develop our fine motor skills with daily busy fingers sessions to improve strength and dexterity in our hands that will enable us to use a pencil effectively for writing.

### **Communication and Language**

Our role-play areas will be set up to reflect the topics we are covering starting with the familiar home corner and developing into other areas as the term progresses.

We will enjoy a daily story that will be discussed with the children to enable them to be able to recall particular significant key parts.

### **Phonics**

We will be using the Little Wandle Scheme for Phonics. Starting with learning the phase 2 single sounds, then developing these into our reading and writing with initial, middle, and end sounds within CVC words.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

### **Literacy**

We will be exploring the following key texts: Autumn 1 – That's not my name, I am Absolutely too small for school, the colour monster, The Squirrels who squabble, I'm (almost) always kind, Martha maps its out and What makes me a Me.

We will be using these texts to explore the topic 'All about me'.

Autumn 2 – Pumpkin Soup, The invisible, Diwail Rama and Sita, Celebrations around the world, the Dark and The Jolly Christmas Postman. We will use these texts to explore the topic 'Light and Dark'

In literacy this term, we will focus on listening to and writing initial, middle and end sounds in CVC words.



Welcome to our Autumn Term Curriculum Flyer, showing an overview of our learning this term.

Please use this information to support a discussion of learning with your child at home. If you have any concerns please contact us:

reception@howedell.herts.sch.uk

### **PE**

We will be having formal PE lessons after half term. In Autumn 1 we will be focussing on fine motor skills during busy fingers and participating in daily wake and shake. From Autumn 2 we will be developing our ball skills, starting with throwing and catching and hand-eye coordination.

### **Maths**

This term we will be using counting to compare objects, subitise and order numbers.

We will focus on one more and one less, longer, shorter, and number patterns.

### **Expressive Art and Design**

We will be looking at colours and will discuss primary and secondary colours. We will link colours to different emotions and discuss how colours make children feel. We will be creating self-portraits as part of our 'All about me' topic.

### **Understanding the World**

We will be learning about safety and how to keep ourselves and others safe inside and outside of school. We will also be looking at who is in our family and cultural diversity. We will be learning about our school and where we live.

## Home Learning

This half term we will be uploading Little Wandle letter sounds via Google Classroom each week. Please complete these and upload to Google Classroom or bring in to share with your class teacher. Children will also receive a 'Sharing book'. This is for you to read to your child and enjoy together. Sharing books go out on Friday and should be returned on Wednesday.

In Autumn 2, we will allocate ebooks each week linked to the weekly phonics. These should be read every day and they should be listened to wherever and whenever possible. Please add your comments to the Reading/Home Learning Diaries.

## e-Safety

Please ensure that children using any devices connected to the internet are supervised at all times.

Talk to your children about staying safe online and visit our school website for more information.

## PE Kit

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on the day that the class have PE. Please ensure the kit complies with our uniform policy. New PE tops are available to purchase from the school office.

We will start PE in Autumn 2. Day to be confirmed at the end of Autumn 1.

## Google Classroom

We will share key reminders and messages on Google Classroom so please make sure notifications are switched on.

We ask that you to use Google Classroom to share milestones achieved at home so we can be share during school in Show and Tell.

You will also see the phonics taught that week. You can use these as an opportunity to support your child further at home.



## Our Golden Expectations

Show respect  
(To everyone and everything)



Be kind



Be honest



Be gentle



Give everything 'a go!'

