

Foundation Stage

Autumn 2026



Communication and Language

- Listening to a range of stories- responding, re-telling, discussing and questioning, and making up their own stories.
- Following simple instructions.
- Discussions about themselves, their families, their homes, people who help us, Autumn, their favourite book and their feelings.
- Thinking of, and asking questions to visiting key workers.

Books

The Colour Monster/The Colour Monster Goes to School, The Little Red Hen, My Monster and Me, Worrysaurus, The Funnybones stories, You choose, Augustus and his Smile, Ruby's worries, Here we are, Brown bear, brown bear, Cops and robbers, Handa's Surprise.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Confidence in speaking to others/awareness of the listener.
- Establish class rules/acceptable behaviour/ building positive relationships.
- Playing cooperatively, taking turns, listening to others, school routines.
- How to keep fit and healthy.
- Stranger Danger and road safety.
- Comparing life and families from different backgrounds and cultures.
- Thinking about others at Harvest and thanking God.

Physical Development

- PE rules and PE safety.
- Hand-eye coordination/spatial awareness.
- Rolling, throwing and catching large balls, bean bags and quoits.
- Mini Yoga.
- Our bodies- how do we feel when we do exercise and after exercise.
- Healthy eating and a healthy diet.
- What our five special senses are.

It's good to be ME!

Literacy

- Using books appropriately. Understanding that text carries meaning. Looking at the features of books. Showing an interest in stories.
- Name writing and labelling pictures.
- Identifying familiar words and logos.
- Giving meaning to the marks we make.
- Introducing the children to 'Drawing Club' using the setting and characters from a range of picture book, traditional tales and animation to create 'codes' and adventures!
- Acting out stories and real-life events.

Snack skills

Fruit kebabs, making our own bread and making Tiptree jam sandwiches!

Mathematics

- Subitising numbers.
- Looking at 2D shapes.
- Matching and sorting objects and numbers.
- Comparing and ordering by size, length and time.
- Counting reliably forwards and backwards up to 5
- Recognise, extend and create simple AB patterns.



Understanding the World

- Circle time- similarities, differences, opinions, likes/ dislikes, unique—we don't all like the same things.
- Learning about family traditions and talking about significant events in their and their family's lives.
- Looking at different types of families and the differences between them.
- Learning about our body and how to look after it.
- People who help us and keep us safe.
- Visits from a variety of people who help us in the local community.
- Local walk around Tiptree.
- Learning about the season of Autumn.
- Learning about the differences between life in this country and life in other countries.



Expressive Arts and Design

- Self portraits and family portraits.
- Straw skeleton pictures/ skeleton painting.
- Making Autumn pictures.
- Junk models of our houses.
- Looking at and re-creating African art