

Woodpecker Hall Academy Learning Web – Reception Autumn 1

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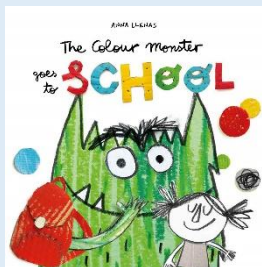
Local Litter Pick Up - cleaning the local environment.

Key dates:

Show & Tell – Week Beginning 22nd September Local Area Walk – Week Beginning 5th October
Family photos to be bought in – Week Beginning 14th September

Communication and Language:

This half term we will focus on interactions and language modelling through various engaging activities such as stories, songs, rhymes, and talk time opportunities. We start with greeting songs, like "Hello...how are you today?" and introduce greetings in different languages. To support emotional awareness, we explore feelings using the Zones of Regulation through stories such as The Colour Monster goes to School by Anna Llenas.



Personal, Social Emotional Development

As part of settling in, we focus on establishing routines. We emphasise the importance of understanding that families play a crucial role in keeping us safe and we help pupils recognise that every family is unique and different. Pupils will learn to identify and understand their own family relationships, such as siblings and parents.



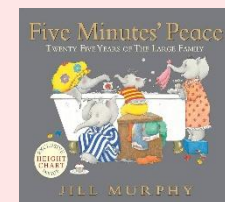
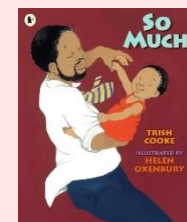
Physical Development

The children will be learning about different ways to travel and move in PE this half term. They will be performing fundamental movements such as jumping, skipping, hopping, running, climbing. In class they will also focus on developing their fine motor skills e.g. using scissors, threading and pencil control and explore Gross Motor Skills outdoors e.g. obstacle courses and using the climbing frames.



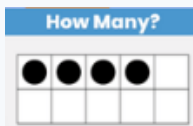
Literacy

This term we will be reading a variety of family related books like 'So Much', 'Five Minutes Peace' and 'Owl Babies'. The children will begin to retell stories using their own words. We will also be looking at rhyming and new vocabulary including high frequency words e.g. I, my, mum, dad.



Maths

We will be focussing on number songs, rhymes, and stories, such as "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive" and "5 Little Ducks Went Swimming," to help children engage with numbers in a fun and meaningful way. Using tools like fingers, numicon, and dice the children will develop their subitising skills.



Expressive Art and Design

This term we will be focusing on exploring our Role Play area as a home corner. The children will use a variety of colours and shapes to create self and family portraits and family trees and create lolly stick homes. In Music, they will perform rhythms from a familiar song to sing clearly and to perform songs with actions.



Understanding the World

This term the children will learn about the topic 'My Family', answering the BIG question 'What is a family?' The children will look at 'My Family tree' - identifying similarities and differences to their peers. We will explore their local area and discuss how they travel to school and create their own messy map.



Spanish

The children will learn to greet people, to say goodbye, begin to count to 5 and recognise primary colours.

