#### English:

This term our theme is 'Into the Woods'. We will be looking at a wider selection of books and exploring what their purpose is. We will focus more on nonfiction texts and how they differ to fiction and begin to further develop our opinions.

We will start Basics 3 in our phonics sessions! We will be learning more digraphs (two letters making one sound) and new Tricky Tess words. Blending sounds into words will remain a key focus in the coming

#### **Communication & Language:**

As always, we will continue to model and encourage high quality conversation and interaction. We will further focus on embedding exciting high-level vocabulary from our Drawing Club session into our everyday conversations. We want the children leave us awestruck with their wonderful vocabulary! We will also focus on extending verbal sentences, challenging children to add extra detail and information where possible.

#### Maths:

We will begin to look at number patterns, such as odd and even numbers, as well as continuing to explore addition, subtraction, sharing and grouping. We will also be focusing on building the children's fluency with some key number facts, such as number bonds to 5 and doubles.



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#### **Key Information:**

\* Who knows what to expect with the weather but please ensure your children has everything they need to be comfortable. Whether this is hats, scarves and gloves or sunhats and sun cream!

\*Reading is super important! Try to hear your child to read at least three times a week, it will greatly impact their fluency. Also, keep engaging your children in their favourite stories, reading for pleasure is incredibly crucial!

### **Expressive Art and Design:**

We will be really challenging children to explore new concepts, techniques and designs this term. We will be looking at a selection of artists and using their work to inspire us to create our own masterpiece. The children will continue to have lots of opportunities to express themselves through roleplay, small world play and movement. We sing songs and nursery rhymes daily and will continue to access a range of musical instruments

#### Understanding The World:

We will be taking advantage of our wonderful area to explore the environment and the animals around us. We will be spending lots of time outdoors, exploring habitats, making observations and drawing pictures of animals/plants.

We will also be visiting Sheringham Park to explore the woodlands for ourselves, taking part in lots of exciting activities. Details will follow shortly!

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Circle time sessions will continue weekly, focusing on a new emotion each week as well as giving us the opportunity to share our own special events and experiences.

We will also focus on helping the children to try new tasks, further supporting their perseverance and resilience. This will show the children that while trying new things can be daunting, we can achieve so much when we always give things a try!

#### Fine And Gross Motor Skills:

This half term, we are going to be focusing on correct letter formation within our small group handwriting sessions. We will also be developing our coordination and strength through using the climbing equipment during PE sessions, having fun in Dough Disco, and providing lots of opportunities for both large and small movements within our provision.

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# Successful Learners