

Understanding the World

The **natural world**- our garden, Harvest, changing seasons

Exploring cause and effect- water and sand play, exploring materials, ICT equipment, jumping in muddy puddles.

Festivals & Celebrations: Bonfire Night, Remembrance, Diwali, Christmas

Mathematics

Counting to 5 and beyond- songs, games, counting objects

2D shapes

Exploring **size**- sorting, puzzles, construction, three bears house

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Settling in- building relationships, saying goodbye, making friends, managing our emotions.

Forest School- Building confidence & self-esteem. Developing curiosity and resilience. Exploring the natural world.

Learning new **routines and expectations**

Showing **care & respect** for living things and our school.

Nurture Groups: settling in, making friends

Autumn Term 2018

Chelsea Open Air Nursery School

Please see some of the learning experiences we will be enjoying this term.

Communication & Language

We will be developing our **functional language** related to School and the routines of the day. We will be learning to listen to and follow simple instructions. We will use our words with Makaton signing to support us in communicating our needs.

Developing **subject specific vocabulary**- School, harvest, Autumn, Bonfire Night, Diwali, Remembrance, Christmas, story language.

Developing our **listening & attention skills**- listening games, sound walks, exploring sounds and instruments, circle times, small groups.

Songs and Rhymes! We will be singing lots of songs and enjoying nursery rhymes to support our listening and speaking skills.

Expressive Arts & Design

Lots of **role play**- real life and story based

Singing together and exploring different instruments. Have you got a singing voice?

Creative Arts Week- exploring different media and collaborative art work.

Construction- large and small!

Physical Development

Self-help & independence- going to the toilet and managing our clothes

Gross Motor- obstacle courses, dancing, negotiating the garden, balancing, running, jumping, climbing, crawling.

Fine Motor- threading, lego, pegboards, painting, drawing, clay, playdough

Little Kickers: developing ball skills. Kicking and throwing with increasing aim.

Literacy

Our core books:

- Handa's Surprise
- No-Bot the Robot
- Avocado Baby
- You Choose
- We're Going on a Bear Hunt
- The Tiger Who came to Tea
- Owl Babies
- Funny Bones
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Dear Zoo
- The Gruffalo

We will also be enjoying lots of **Traditional Tales** such as Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks & the Three Bears and the Gingerbread Man.

Mark Making- messy trays, textures, pens, pencils, paint, big brushes, small brushes, finger painting, printing with objects, chalk in the garden and lots more!