

# Nursery and Red Class Curriculum Notes Autumn Term 2016

## Autumn Term 2016/17      Red Class

*First half term topic – ‘Me and my family’*  
**light’**

*Second half term topic – ‘Fire and*

**Literacy** - In the Autumn Term the main priority is to get children reading! Children begin to explore the relationship between sounds (phonemes) and letters (graphemes). They build on prior knowledge and experience, working through Phases 2, 3 and beyond using our ‘Letters and Sounds’ programme becoming, in the process, fluent at blending and segmenting words and by the end of the autumn term most children will be familiar with all 44 sounds and have a growing repertoire of words they can read independently with confidence. They will also begin to write captions for displays and cards, and begin to identify parts of a story and link it to their own experiences. In addition children will be encouraged to develop their confidence in speaking and listening, including public speaking and performance.

**Maths** - During the Autumn Term children will build on their prior knowledge and experience, in developing their skills in counting and manipulating number. They will be able to recognise and manipulate 2D and 3D shapes, measure, compare, order and estimate. Children will also become familiar with units of money and time. Children will also begin to use RM maths to promote confidence and independence in mathematics.

**Personal, Social, Emotional Development** - There are daily opportunities to support children’s development in line with Early Learning Goals and EYFS.

**Knowledge of the World** – Both topics this term provide a range of opportunities to compare and contrast different customs and cultures as well as discover a variety of different animals and reflect on their habitats and their needs.

**Physical Development** - During the Autumn Term children will explore ways of travelling, repeating, linking and adapting simple movements and demonstrate balance using a range of equipment.

**Expressive Arts & Design** – Children have a wide range of creative experiences every week often linked to the topic such as investigating ‘self-portraits’. Children also have a discrete art lesson each week linked to the topic and covering a range of skills, techniques and artistic concepts.

**ICT** - During the Autumn Term children will become familiar with using the ICT suite. They will learn to use a variety of programs including; Paint, RM Maths and Create a story.

**Homework** - Sharing stories and daily reading at home is the most important aspect of homework in the Early Years. Children also have weekend homework linked to the literacy and maths work occurring in the classroom.