

How can I help my child's learning at home?

There are lots of things that you can do as a parent to assist your child with their learning:

Things you might like to do at home:

- Visit the library to choose a story to read together at home.
- Draw or make a picture of something about Autumn.
- Share songs and rhymes together.
- Talk about what is happening to the trees and leaves.
- Talk about the animals you might see more in Autumn.
- Tell us about achievements at home – *every step of your child's development is important to us!*



Useful websites for fun learning activities include:

<http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/>

Useful Apps:

Hairy Letters

Letter School

Welcome to Nursery!

The children are settling in nicely, they are a really happy little bunch!

Our next topic for the Autumn Term is 'Autumn.' We will be talking about all the things the children will be seeing around them-autumn coloured leaves, animals, weather and clothes. Keep a look out for any Autumn animals such as hedgehogs or squirrels!

After this topic we will be moving on to Christmas!! Woohoo!! How exciting! Of course we will be making lots of Christmas things-decorations, cards and pictures. Most importantly we will be rehearsing for our Nativity sing song.....more details to follow! As always, if there is ever a problem, try to let us know as soon as possible, so that we are able to help the best that we can!

- Contact us by phone at: **01253 311248**
- Look at our school website at:
<http://www.stjohnvianneys.co.uk/>

“Autumn”



Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term 2018

Foundation Stage – Nursery

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Communication Language and Literacy >>>

Your child’s Literacy will be taught through ‘Read, Write, Inc...’, rhymes and stories.

We are also going to:

- Use small world toys to promote imaginary play
- Listen to stories, rhymes(Leaves are Falling) and books linked to Autumn
- Attempt writing for different purposes
- Begin to hear the sounds that make up words
- To take turns in conversation.
- Build up vocabulary related to experience.
- Sustain attentive listening, responding to what they have heard with relevant comments.

Can you tell me what is happening to the leaves on the trees?

Maths >>>

This half term, we will be learning about:

- Counting a small number of objects or actions with 1:1 correspondence.
- Saying number names in order.
- Comparing quantities.
- Counting in different ways.
- Recognise numerals of personal significance.eg: How old are you?
- Say and use number names in familiar contexts.
- Spot numerals in the environment.
- Counting autumn objects and labeling in different ways.



Spot numbers when you are out and about - how many red leaves can you find?

Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural>>>

During Circle Time we will be thinking about:

- Inviting other children to play their games – take turns and play co-operatively
- Taking steps to resolve conflict – being able to compromise
- Taking account of other children’s ideas
- Show sensitivity to others’ needs and feelings and how to help each other.
- Negotiates and solve problems without aggression
- Following the rules and boundaries of Nursery.
- Using our sticker chart as a reward.

Encourage your child to sound a word in Fred Talk e.g. l-ea-f, r-e-d, ow-l

Talk to your child about all the wonderful things God made in the world. Notice all the beautiful colours around you.

Religious Education (RE) >>>

In RE this term we will be learning about God’s World.

- *That God created our wonderful world and all the things that are in it.*
- *How we can look after God’s world.*
- *Ways in which we can show love to one another.*
- *That God’s greatest gift to us was Jesus when he was born at Christmas Time.*
- *Learn about and remember the Christmas story.*

Physical Development >>>

- The children do daily Wakey Shakey where they move to different kinds of music.
- Use playdough-rolling, cutting, squeezing, squashing.
- Explore toys and tools in the sand, water and creative area.
- Use scissors to cut out and make.
- Move around outside in a variety of ways, with control, avoiding obstacles.
- Balance and climb safely
- Practice holding tools to write and draw.
- Dough Hedgehogs-bread.

Understanding the World>>>

- Role Play in the Home Corner. Copy family rituals seen at home.
- Small world play.
- Go for a walk in the park/on the beach.
- Noticing the changes you can see when you are out and about.
- Talk about some of the plants, animals or natural objects you have found.
- Talk about looking after God’s creatures eg putting nuts out for the birds or feeding the squirrels in the park.
- Develop an understanding of change eg how the trees are looking different.
- Talk about where you live and what it is like outside your house.

Can you make a picture with the leaves you have found?

Parental Engagement/WOW Events/ Trips>>>

- Nursery Nativity (5th December)
- Christmas dinner

Expressive Arts and Design >>>

- Role play – pretend to be hedgehogs and squirrels.
- Play dough – with different sensory materials
- Songs and stories
- Dressing up in warmer clothes-scarves, gloves, hats etc.
- Printing with leaves, pine cones, conkers.
- Make a picture of an Autumn creature. Eg hedgehog handprints.
- Mixing colours to make orange/brown.
- Making Christmas decorations, cards and pictures.