Axminster Community Primary Academy

Term: Autumn 1 **Class:** Reception **Teacher:** Mrs Stephenson

Physical Development:

P.E. lessons will be every **Monday and Wednesday.** This half term we will explore different ways of moving, throwing and catching through a range of gross motor activities. In PE we will also be learning to move safely and be aware of others around us.
Children are encouraged to put on their own coats and practice doing up/undoing buttons and zips. We will also be introducing various activities to strengthen their fingers and to develop fine motor skills in preparation for writing. We will focus on correct pencil grip too – if you are unsure what this looks like and want to support your child at home, please ask. As well as fine motor, we will be working on gross motor skills outside in our garden and playgrounds.

Literacy Development:

This half term in reading, children will be introduced to several rhymes and be encouraged to listen and join in with various stories and poems.

In writing, children will begin to give meanings to marks as they draw, write and paint.

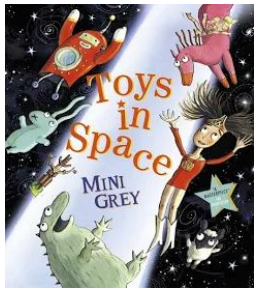
We will introduce sounds from our Read, Write Inc scheme (RWI) each day. Children will be taught how to say and write the sound using rhymes.

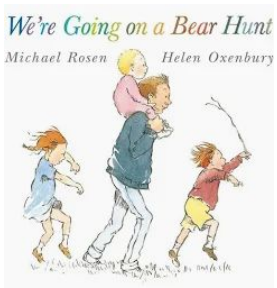
Expressive Arts & Design:

Children will listen to and learn simple poems, sing simple familiar songs and will learn new songs about themselves and about Autumn too.
They will use various construction materials and learn how to assemble and join materials together.
During Art they will explore what happens when you mix colours together to create their own portraits and seasonal pictures.

Key Texts:

- Toys in space
- Going on a bear hunt





Personal, Social & Emotional Development:

This half term, the main focus will be on children learning to play cooperatively, to take turns and to share. They will also be encouraged to form positive relationships with adults and other children and show a sensitivity to others needs and feelings.

Communication & Language:

Through the use of role play, children will use language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences. Imaginative play and a broadening vocabulary will also be modelled by the adults. Children will also be encouraged to hold a conversation, retelling special things about themselves and their family.

Mathematics:

Children will have a daily maths focus, taught through fun, practical activities and the teaching of our Maths Mastery scheme. They will practice reciting numbers in order from 1-10 and beyond. They will practice matching a numeral to its quantity correctly, e.g. matching the number 5 with 5 spoons. We will also develop understanding of sorting, matching and pattern. We will be developing our subitising skills.

Understanding the World:

This half term, children will be encouraged to talk about themselves (what makes me me) and talk about their families and their homes. Children will have the opportunity to notice patterns and changes around them e.g. seasons.

Other information:

PE will be every Monday and Wednesday. On these days please send your child into school wearing their appropriate PE kits.

Please ensure your child comes into school with a labelled water bottle and coat each day. If possible, can your child have wellies which are labelled and stay on their pegs at school.

To support your child at home this half term you could:

- Practice writing their name
- Counting to 10 and beyond
- Recognise/read numbers
- Counting out objects
- Flash cards – of their single sounds (mmmountain, aaapple)