## Nhat are we learning in the Autumn term. Woodlands Academy

In Communication, Language and Literacy we will be learning...

- about changes and ourselves and our families through our topic, 'New Beginnings'. In this topic we will be talking about starting school and making friends.
- about our families, our senses, similarities and differences, and belonging to our school community. This project crosses all areas of our learning and is underpinned by our school values.
- about turn taking, reading together as part of a small group and developing an understanding of story language.
- how to write our own names.
- how to read through literacy and phonics

Our key texts this half term are 'Emily Brown and the Thing' and 'Blue Penguin'





In Knowledge and Understanding of the World we will be learning about...

- our local community through discussion and local walks to the Church and the Gudwara.
- seasonal changes to our environment and we will learn about the Harvest Festival and why people celebrate this. We will prepare our garden for planting in the Spring.
- the similarities and differences between ourselves and others and about keeping healthy.
- how to look after our teeth

In Maths we will be learning ...

- to count forwards and backwards using well known number songs and rhymes.
- to recognise numbers, order numbers and count using one to one correspondence.
- about patterns and simple 2D shapes. Some of the activities we will be doing are hunting for shapes in the environment, printing patterns and threading patterns and shapes.

We will set up activities both indoor and outdoor to practise key maths skills







## In Expressive Arts and Design we will be learning to...

- mix colours to paint portraits and to use paints/collage and printing to make seasonal
  - explore pattern and printing with shapes and colours, using natural materials we find in our explore the role play areas inside and outside and
    - use our listening skills to recognise the different make up our own stories.
    - sounds we can hear around us and explore the different sounds that musical instruments make.



In personal, Social and Emotional Development we will be learning about... the Golden Rules and become familiar with class routines. We will be Settling in to the new learning environment, making new friends and sharing resources. Playing games to help children learn about one another. We will discover things that we have in common and things that are different It is vital for children to feel safe, secure and consident within their environment.





## In Physical Development we will be learning to...

- make healthy choices at lunch time and to wash our hands after using the toilet and before eating.
- dress and undress by ourselves using the fancy dress costumes in the role play area and also changing for PE.
- throw and catch a ball
- develop fine motor skills through a range of activities such as threading, play dough, small construction and finger painting.
- hold a pencil with a pincer grip to draw and write.



## **Trips & Visits**

Local walk to the Gudwara

Local walk to the Church

Pantomime