



Curriculum Newsletter Bonneygrove Primary School

Nursery
Autumn Term 1

Our topic this half-term is:
'Mirror, Mirror'

Personal, Social and Emotional
Development

We will be learning to separate from our parents and carers in the morning and make choices about what we want to do. We will be **reflecting** on our feelings and behaviour using the Zones of Regulation. We will develop our independence by managing our own coats and shoes. We are learning about turn-taking and sharing.

Physical Development

This half term we will be introducing yoga through stories. We will be learning different yoga poses by **mirroring** the movements of a trained yoga instructor

We do daily 'Squiggle Time' to develop our larger muscles and improve co-ordination. We are learning to use the outdoor equipment safely when balancing and jumping.

We are using scoop scissors and training scissors to prepare us for using scissors safely and correctly.

Communication & Language

We will develop our listening and attention skills daily during short adult led sessions. We are learning to greet each other correctly and speak in full sentences. Sometimes we look in the **mirror** to check the facial movements we are making when articulating words.

Literacy

We will be enjoying a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. Parents and carers are invited to our weekly Book Bonanzas on Fridays at 11a.m. where we will share stories together and choose a book to take home. During Squiggle Time, we do large scale mark-making with crayon on paper. We have access to chalk, felt-tips, pens and pencils for drawing and colouring. We will make messy marks using paint, gloop and shaving foam.



Important dates

First Book Bonanza: Friday 23rd September

Diwali: 24th October

Half Term: 24th- 28th October



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Mathematics

We will be developing our subitising skills by saying how many things we can see in sets of 1, 2 or 3 without counting them one by one. We will learn how to match small, irregular arrangements to finger patterns and learn to confidently recite numbers 0-10. We will be learning to order numerals and will develop object counting skills of larger sets using one to one correspondence. We will learn a range of counting songs and explore circles, squares, rectangles and triangles.

Understanding the World

We will be discussing changes to our outside environment and the weather. Which season is it? How do we know? We will learn about Diwali, the Festival of Light. We will explore the properties of water by pouring it, freezing it and studying its **reflective** surface. We will use metal detectors to find metallic objects and then use magnets to check which ones are magnetic.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will study our **reflection** in the mirror to help us create self-portraits. We will create splatter paintings in the style of Jackson Pollock – these will be framed and displayed in the school hall for parents and carers to purchase. We will learn how to apply glue and how to use masking tape to join materials. We will sculpt with clay to make Diva lamps.

School Values- *Broadening Horizons through our school values. Resilience, Honesty, Ambition, Creativity, Kindness and Inclusion.*

You can join in with our learning at home by:

Reading: Please enjoy a book with your child every day. It is a good idea to read the same book again and again until your child is very familiar with it. Pause frequently to allow them to finish repeated refrains.

PSED: Encourage your child to put their shoes and coat on by themselves. Practise pouring liquid from a jug into a cup. Practise peeling bananas and satsumas.

Mark-making: To strengthen your child's hand muscles, encourage them to do colouring using pencils (not felt tips)

Maths: Learn these counting songs: <https://youtu.be/diMJIlv-4N0>
<https://youtu.be/fFlf65nvrLQ>