

Curriculum Overview: Autumn 1

ALL ABOUT ME | MY IDENTITY • MY WORLD • MY COMMUNICATION

Our learning this half-term

This autumn, our theme, “**All About Me**”, encourages pupils to discover more about themselves, their families and their feelings, while recognising their strengths and interests. Across our primary and secondary cohorts, learning is tailored to each pupil’s needs and starting point, with age-appropriate activities that build knowledge, strengthen communication and nurture confidence and independence

Our curriculum at a glance

Subject / area	What we are learning
English and Reading	Exploring stories including The Colour Monster, Who’s in My Family? and Beegu; developing phonics, reading, story sequencing, sentence writing and discussion skills. Poetry encourages creativity and imagination.
Communication	Making choices, expressing needs and preferences, sharing ideas and interacting with adults and peers, using communication approaches suited to each pupil.
Maths	Developing counting, number sequencing, shape, calculation, and measurement. Learning also includes addition, subtraction, multiplication, timetables, and creating and interpreting graphs.
Science	Science explores the human body, senses and seasonal changes through activities tailored to pupils’ needs and starting points. Sensory exploration and practical activities using autumn leaves and other natural resources develop observation skills, including investigating how objects respond to moving air. More structured investigations build scientific vocabulary and encourage pupils to use their observations to explain their findings.
PSHE and Personal Development	Recognising and expressing emotions, exploring families and belonging, seeking support from trusted people, and developing an understanding of online safety.
Art and Creativity	Creating family trees, self-portraits and autumn-inspired artwork using seasonal colours, shapes, and textures. Design and Technology LEGO challenges encouraging practical problem-solving.
Celebrations and Community	Celebrating National Poetry Day and sharing ideas through stories and poetry. Outdoor exploration and immersive room experiences encourage curiosity and shared discovery.

Learning tailored to every student

Our classes bring together students with different strengths, interests, and learning needs. Teaching is personalised to each student’s starting point, abilities and individual outcomes, with appropriate support and challenge to help everyone make progress. Students may explore the same theme in different ways, at different levels, and through a range of practical and subject-based activities.

We celebrate progress in all its forms, helping every pupil build confidence and take pride in their learning.