

 Parent/ Carer Info sheet: AUTUMN 1

## Our theme this half term is: “Play,”

We will be enjoying getting back to school and our new class, sharing our favourite toys and ways of playing; making our own playdough and sensory bags, exploring water play and trying out toys and games from the past and present. We each have an individual Play passport that staff wrote for us following observations in the Summer term. We will be given lots of 1:1 time to explore our favourite ways of play, from toys to Intensive Interaction, puppets and role play.

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In literacy we will be focusing on sensory stories, playground poems and songs and story massage, using the resonance boards, as well as topic related stories such as “Llama Llama Zippity Zoom.” And “Fun and Games” We will continue with our sensory writing warm up and focus on our Hand skill targets.

we will continue to access the outdoor grounds and interact with our class and bubble friends in the playgrounds and other spaces! We are still enjoying rebound, sensory kingdom and swimming! We will hopefully be able to venture a little further out, to explore play opportunities but we will keep you all informed!

 In daily maths sessions we will explore a range of resources, e.g. colour bags, sensory numbers, the pompom counting gloves, sensory counting sticks and sensory objects to encourage reaching, holding and exploration. We will be hearing number and counting rhymes and songs and handling props to represent the count as well as finding numerals on number lines.

We will be playing group games such as skittles, parachute games, hook a duck, boccia and using vocab and numbers . We will continue to explore different concepts through play themed Maths massage, accompanied by music.

Our computing focus will include continuing to use the eye gaze, touch screen, pro wise screen and switches to alter our environment as well as our amplification equipment to encourage everyone to communicate.

 There is an excellent website we use here:- ianbean.co.uk which has great switch, touch screen and eye gaze activated activities which our pupils find interesting to use.

In Science we will be testing out how to make different noisy toys and games as well as using and combining materials to make playdough and sensory toys and we will be encouraged to comment and communicate our preferences. We will spend time exploring Forest school outdoors activities.