Horton Grange Primary School

Nursery Year Group Newsletter

Term: Autumn 2

Topic: Autumn/Once Upon a Time



Prime Areas

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Show sensitivity to the needs of others.
- Talk about how characters in books feel.
- Talk about their own feelings in different situations.
- Talk about how to be a good friend.

How can you help your child at home?

- Talk to your child about how others might feel in different situations.

Communication & Language

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Use language from stories.
- Describe pictures in books.
- Answer why questions.

How can you help your child at home?

- Look at books and stories together asking your child to talk about the characters.

Physical Development

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Follow instructions in P.E. lessons.
- Move in a variety of ways.
- Put on their own coats.

How can you help your child at home?

- We will be starting P.E lessons after the half-term break. This will be every Wednesday morning and Thursday afternoon. Children should come to Nursery dressed in their P.E kit.
- Teach your child to put on their own coat.

Specific Areas

Literacy

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Take part in Phonics sessions.
- Play rhyming and sound discrimination activities.
- Understand the five key concepts about print.

- **How can you help your child at home?**
- The children will be bringing home a library book and a reading book each week. Talk to them about how to treat the books carefully and use words such as front cover, back cover, title, text and print when discussing the book.

Mathematics

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Talk about the patterns around them.
- Extend and create ABAB patterns – stick, leaf, stick, leaf.
- Notice and correct an error in a repeating pattern.

How can you help your child at home?

- Spot patterns in nature when walking to and from Nursery.
- Make simple repeating patterns such as red, blue, red, blue.

Understanding of the World

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials
- Be aware of different celebrations and traditions

How can you help your child at home?

- Talk to your child about different celebrations and festivals.

Go for a walk and spot the sign of Autumn – collect interesting leaves.

Expressive Arts & Design

This half term your child will be learning to:

- Explore colour.
- Explore different musical instruments.

How can you help your child at home?

- Talk about different colours in the environment.
- Explore different musical instruments and the sounds they make.