**Challenge: Setting In / Autumn**

Children will be settling into school and learning about their new classroom and peers. They will also learn how to follow our Golden Rules. Children will explore their new outside environment and look for the changes that Autumn brings.

**Literacy: Reading**
- In Read Write Inc children will learn all letter sounds and will begin to segment and blend words.
- They will learn to listen to and join in with a wide variety of stories and poems.
- They will also learn to join in with repeated refrains and describe main story settings and characters.
- Children will learn to recognise familiar words such as their own name and advertising logos etc...
- They will learn to look at and handle books carefully and independently.

Writing
- Children will learn to make marks using various media and give meanings to these marks.
- They will learn to link sounds to letters and form them accurately.
- Children will also learn to continue a rhyming string.

**Maths:** Numbers
- Children will learn to use number names accurately in play, recite numbers in order to 10 and count actions.
- They will also learn to represent numbers using their fingers and marks, match numbers to quantity and comment and ask questions about numbers in their environment.

**Shape, Space and Measure**
- Children will learn to identify 2D shapes.

**Moving and Handling:**
- Fine Skills
  - Children will learn to use one-handed tools and equipment e.g., to make snips in paper with child scissors and hold a pencil between their thumb and two fingers.
- Large Skills
  - Children will learn to move freely and with pleasure and confidence in a range of ways.
  - They will practice running skilfully and negotiate space successfully, adjusting speed or direction to avoid obstacles.
  - They will also learn to stand momentarily on one foot and catch a large ball.

**People and Communities:**
- Children will learn about the lives of people who are familiar to them.
- They will help to celebrate Harvest Festival and make Pumpkin Soup. They will also remember and talk about significant events in their own experience, through activities such as circle time and show and tell.

**Technology:**
- Children will learn to operate simple equipment and toys such as Beebots.
- They will practice using the class SMART board and learn that information can be retrieved from computers.

**The World:**
- Children will learn to comment on and ask questions about aspects of their familiar world such as where they live and our School environment.
- Through Autumnal activities, they will also develop an understanding of decay and changes over time.

**Health and Self Care:**
- Children will learn how to use equipment and tools safely.
- They will learn to attend to their own toileting needs and manage washing and drying their hands.
- They will learn to dress and undress with help, e.g., changing into their PE kit and fastening their coats and shoes.

**Communication and Language:**
- Understanding
  - Children will learn to respond to simple instructions and understand 'why' and 'how' questions.
- Speaking
  - Children will begin to use more complex sentences to link their thoughts. They will also build up vocabulary that reflects the breadth of their experiences.

**Being Imaginative:**
- Children will engage in imaginative play based on own first-hand experiences.
- They will learn to use available resources to create props to support role-play.
- They will also learn how to capture their experiences using a range of media, such as music, dance and paint and other materials.

**Listen and Attention:**
- Children will be learning to listen one to one and in small groups during team learning and round robin time.

**Create:**
- Creating and Thinking Critically
  - Children will be learning to create and think critically by thinking of their own ideas, making links in their learning and choosing ways to do things.

**Active:**
- Active Learning
  - Children will be actively learning through hands on experiences and outdoor play.
  - They will learn to be involved and maintain concentration.

**Nurture:**
- Children will be encouraged to keep trying when faced with difficulties or challenges.
- They will be introduced to our classroom reward systems and will enjoy celebrating their achievements.

**Inspire:**
- Playing and Exploring
  - Children will find out and explore through creative, real experiences, playing with what they already know then having a go at learning something new.

**Personal, Social and Emotional:**
- Making Relationships
  - Children will learn to play in a group and extend and elaborate their play and ideas.
- Self Confidence and Self Awareness
  - Children will learn to be more outgoing towards unfamiliar people and become more confident in new social situations.
- Managing Feelings and Behaviour
  - Children will learn to adapt their behaviour to different events, social situations and changes in routine.

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**Exploring and Using Media and Materials:**
- Children will learn many ring games and familiar songs.
- They will learn to initiate movement in response to music. Tap out simple repeated rhythms and explore how sounds can be changed.
- Children will explore colour and how colours can be changed.
- They will learn to describe the texture of things and will use various construction materials, building and balancing.
- Children will learn to use simple tools such as glue sticks, scissors, brushes, sellotape for a purpose.