

Communication and Language

We will continue to listen to stories with increasing attention and recall. We will be discussing the elements of stories and the characters. We will learn to join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in rhymes and stories. At home it will help if you continue to read with your child daily and talk about the events of a story (What might happen? Who were the characters? What happened first? Next? Last? What did you like about the story?)

Physical Development

We will continue to develop our gross and fine motor skills by learning to move freely, with pleasure and confidence. Children will continue to practise a variety of balancing activities in order to develop their core balance. At home you can encourage your child to dress and undress independently and eat using a knife and fork at mealtimes.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning about **Celebrations** and talking about how we feel when we celebrate different events such as birthdays, Eid, Diwali, Christmas etc. Children will begin to understand and respect that people come from different cultures and celebrate different events.

At home you can talk to your child about different celebrations that are important and special to you and your family. Keep encouraging your child to take turns and share.

The Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School

Curriculum Information

Autumn 2
2015

Reception

Literacy

We will continue to teach phonics on a daily basis. Alongside this we will take part in lots of reading activities and begin to write stories. We will learn how to form letters correctly and introduce reading simple CVC words to the children. Children will continue to practise writing their name and surname and it is important that at home you read with your child every day. Read stories, poems and fiction books and take time to explain the meanings of different words. Encourage your child to practise writing their name and forming letters correctly.

At Devonshire Hill, we strive to ensure our children are prepared for the world in which they will grow up to live in.

We teach our children:

*Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism*

*Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence*

Mathematics

The children will continue to learn to count from 1-30. They will learn to recognise numerals 1-20 and learn to place these in the correct order on a number line. The children will learn the value of each number. Children will learn about 2D and 3D shapes and some of their properties. The children will begin to find one more/one less than any given number to 20. Encourage your child to count items at home so they can see the value of each numeral. Talk to your child about 2D and 3D shapes and see if you can find them in your house (window, door, etc).



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Expressive Art and Design

The children will continue to use a variety of different resources to create simple representations of events, people and objects. They will explore different colours and topics linked to fireworks and Diwali.

Continue to support your child by encouraging them to draw, paint and use scissors correctly. Encourage your child to develop their imaginary skills by encouraging inventiveness, offering support and advice on occasions and ensuring that they have experiences that stimulate them.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about celebrations. We will be exploring light in more detail linked to fireworks and Diwali.

At home you can help by talking about different experiences and celebrations and reading books about autumn and the changes that occur in this season.