

Personal, Social and Emotional Development//RE

PSED

Classroom rules and exploring feelings

I am happy / sad when.....

Play listening and attention games

RE- Belonging/Harvest

Explore where we belong, belonging to clubs, families and a church family. Explore Harvest, saying thank you and helping others.

Expressive Arts and Design

Manipulate playdough—playdough disco

Line pictures using pencils,

crayons, charcoal, graphite, pastels etc

Design a gingerbread man using textures and different media

Large paintings of bakery items

Creating bridges for the gingerbread man to cross the river

Understanding the World

Visit from a baker

Explore a bakery from the past - The Great Fire of London

Investigate what would happen to the gingerbread man if he fell in the river?

Make gingerbread biscuits - explore how the ingredients change.

Explore and investigate the season of Autumn.

Literacy

Retell simple stories and rhymes

Gives meaning to marks as they draw, write and paint

Writes labels

Write recognisable letters

Hears and says the initial sound in words

Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them and blend known letters to read short words.

The Gingerbread Man Reception 2025 –2026 Autumn 1

Physical Development

Use large outdoor equipment i.e. bikes, aeroplane, large tunnels etc.

Act out chasing the gingerbread man with large and small movements

Threading and using tweezers to create the gingerbread man

Use and manipulate malleable materials

Introduce hygienic toilet routines.

Communication and Language

Learn new vocabulary through poetry, stories and rhymes.

Sing familiar rhymes and use talk to sequence events in stories and songs.

Drawing Club - Biscuit Bear/The leaf thief/ Cake

Mr Tumble - Makaton words of the week

Mathematics

Number and counting songs

Recognising numerals to 5

Place value with numbers to 5

Sorting into groups

Comparing quantities

Find one more and one less

2D and 3D shape

