**Autumn Term**

**Me and My Community.**

In the Me and My Community project, your child will learn about the school community and building friendships. They will explore their learning environment and find out about the people in school who are there to help them. They will explore how they are special and unique and how everyone’s family is different. They will take part in practical activities to support them to build new friendships and explore what makes a good friend.

**Supporting your child at home**

* Look at family photographs together and discuss who is part of your family.
* Look at baby photographs and talk about how they have grown.
* Look at any childhood photographs of parents and grandparents.
* Talk about the things you like to do together and places you like to go.

**Exploring Autumn.**

In the Exploring Autumn project, your child will go on a woodland walk to learn about the seasonal changes that happen in autumn. They will learn about birds and animals that live in the woods. They will take part in practical and creative activities that will support them to learn about autumn. They will learn about Harvest festival and will explore different vegetables and make a delicious Harvest soup. They will learn about Diwali ‘the festival of light’ and will create their own Diwa’s and rangoli patterns.

**Supporting your child at home**

* Go on a walk around your local area and talk about what happens to trees and plants during autumn. Take some pictures to share at school.
* Collect leaves, seeds, nuts and berries to add to an autumn collection.
* Make some bird food to feed the birds as the weather gets colder.

**Once upon a time.**

During this project we will be reading different fairy tale stories, whilst we are learning about ‘the Gingerbread Man’ The children will be making their own edible gingerbread men and also creating them out of dough, clay and other materials. We will also read ‘The three Billy Goats Gruff’, we will retell the story, make our own stick puppets and make our own bridges for the goats to cross the river safely. We will also make bridges and obstacle courses for ourselves to travel over!

**Sparkle and shine**

In this project we will be learning about special times such as Christmas. We will learn about the Christmas story, visit a real church, learn lots of songs and perform our own Christmas nativity show. We will participate in many different Christmas crafts and will make cards and seasonal art work.