#### Literacy

Our focus will be on developing a love for storytelling. Children will listen to, join in with, and retell familiar tales using pictures and props. In writing and mark making, they will make simple story maps and experiment with early letter formation through themed activities such as writing labels, names, and letters to characters.

#### **Maths**

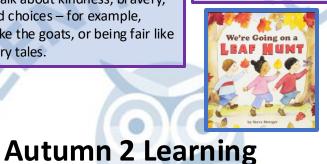
Week 1: Repeating patterns using leaves and natural materials (We're Going on a Leaf Hunt) Week 2: Comparing length building bridges for the goats (Three Billy Goats Gruff) Week 3: Positional language – acting out "over, under, through" journeysWeek 4–5: 2D shapes – designing castles and fairy tale houses (You Choose Fairy Tales)Week 6: 1:1 counting counting gifts, decorations and friends (You Choose Christmas)Week 7: Comparing weight – heavy and light presents or food items

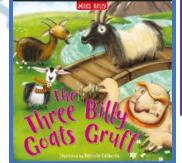
## Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half-term we will continue to support children in developing friendships, understanding how to work together, and learning to take turns and share. Through stories, we will talk about kindness, bravery, and making good choices – for example, helping others like the goats, or being fair like the heroes in fairy tales.

#### **Physical Development**

We'll continue strengthening fine motor control through creative crafts — cutting, threading, and joining materials. Outdoors, children will build bridges for the goats and move in different ways like story characters (climbing, stomping, sneaking, jumping).





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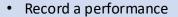
Children will explore colour and texture in autumn art, make bridges and trolls from junk modelling, and create their own fairy tale settings using blocks and loose parts. During Christmas, we'll make cards, decorations, and role play festive stories, songs, and performances.

### Communication and Language

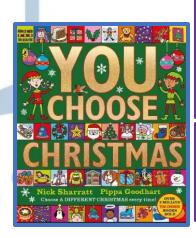
Children will join in with repeated refrains and story language ("Trip, trap, trip, trap!"), retell stories using props and puppets, and discuss how characters might be feeling. We'll develop listening and attention through story times, songs, and role play.

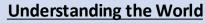
In Nursery

### **Music-Singing**



Improve tone, controlling breathing and pitch.





Children will explore the natural changes in autumn, notice seasonal differences, and talk about where animals live. Through fairy tales, they'll discuss different types of homes, materials, and environments. As Christmas approaches, children will learn about celebrations and traditions

