

Themes for the half term 1st November to 17th December 2021

Week commencing	Theme	Areas of learning and comments
Monday 1 st November	Autumn	Progression of learning and development from last term. Settling in time continues for children recently started at preschool as they get to know each other and us, learn routines, find favourite activities and experience some new activities.
8 th November	The Gruffalo	
15 th November	Large vehicles - emergency and tractors!	'Writing' for fun - having their own notebooks to 'write' in, a letter box to 'post' letters Favourite stories, repeating refrains in stories, words and sounds to enrich language Build on the skills for the balance bikes, and physical activity in and outside
22 nd November	Songs and dancing	Seasons and weather Counting, by rote, in sequence, objects, to find quantity, in rhymes and songs. Starting to subitise 2 or 3 items (recognising the quantity of objects without needing to count)
29 th November	Shopping	Fine motor skills - using tools for craft activities
6 th December	Christmas	Learning about emotions - introduction to book 'The Colour Monster'; being kind and helpful as these are positive feelings.
13 th December	Christmas	Fostering independence - putting on coats and boots for outside play. Parents week/fortnight from 15 th November. Nativity - learning songs, storytelling, taking part in a narrative.

Last day of term Friday 17th December. Return to preschool Wednesday 5th January 2022.