

**Autumn**, season of the year between summer and winter during which temperatures gradually decrease.

Simple facts about:

- Reduced time of natural daylight, meaning that the days are shorter than the nights. ...
- Leaves on the trees will turn yellow, orange, red and brown during autumn. ...
- Autumn is the season of crops and harvest. ...
- Throughout this unique season, Autumn hosts significant celebrations.



## Marvellous Me!

Autumn 1 theme.

All About Me

Knowledge Organiser/Overview

Our topic this half term is "Marvellous Me". In this topic we will talk about all the things that make us marvellous and unique!

### Children will learn:

- Children will learn: About how they are similar or different to their friends and family. To talk about people who are important to them.
- Talk about family customs that they enjoy. Show interest in the lives of people who are familiar to them. Talk about what makes them similar to and different from each other.
- To listen to their friends when playing. To play in a group with their peers. To take turns when playing. To start an activity, inviting others to join. To be kind to everyone. To involve others in conversation. To treat the environment and resources with respect. Children will be able to: Play together in a friendly atmosphere while taking turns and sharing. Listen to one another.

### Reading and Rhyme Spine

#### Rhymes and Poems

Head, Shoulders, Knees and toes  
 Draw a Portrait  
 I Like Being Me  
 If Your Happy and you Know it  
 Ten Tall Fingers  
 We Use Our Hands to Draw  
 The Senses  
 Were All Special

#### Additional Texts

Martha Loves Maps

#### Helicopter Stories / Poetry Basket

Chop Chop  
 Pointy Hat  
 Five Little Pumpkins  
 Wise Old Owl  
 Falling Apples  
 A basket of Apples



### Real Life Experiences

Autumn walk- Leaf Hunt.  
 Visits from Father Fretch and Sister Maura.

### Parental Involvement

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Reception Mass  
 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October: Phonics Open Week  
 Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October: Black History Day

### Makaton Signs

Hello, Goodbye, to sit, Feel, Hear, Smell, See

### Key Vocabulary

Mum, Dad, Sister, Brother, Nose, Pet, Eyes, Ears, Mouth, Hands

### Cultural Capital and British Values

During this topic we aim to increase the children's Cultural Capital and develop their British Values by learning about the following:

International Day of Charity – 5<sup>th</sup> Sept  
 World Clean-up Day – 16<sup>th</sup> September  
 International Day of Peace- 21<sup>st</sup> September  
 Autumnal Equinox – 22nd September  
 Grand Parents Day - 1<sup>st</sup> October

## Understanding the World

### Past and Present



- Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.

### People, Culture and Communities



- Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, nonfiction texts and maps.
- Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.

### The Natural world



- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.
- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.

## Expressive Arts and Design

### Creating with Materials

Drawing pictures of myself using mirrors.  
 Drawing pictures of my family  
 Thinking about colours and using them appropriately in my pictures.  
 Using a range of objects to print with e.g. shoes, hands

### Being Imaginative and Expressive

Poetry Basket – Use the Autumn 1 poems to promote speech and language and story-telling.  
 Maskarra festival: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHe\\_3VtXdLE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHe_3VtXdLE)  
 Rhyme of the week.  
 learning new songs to help me in my learning.  
 roleplaying in the home corner.  
 acting out stories with puppets.  
 using a range of materials to make collages and models.