



# Baby Birds Autumn 1

All about me/What happens when I fall asleep?

This term we will be thinking all about ourselves; what we look like, our families and homes, our likes and dislikes and our similarities and differences. Then we will move on to thinking about what happens when we are asleep. Do people work whilst we are asleep? Why is it dark? Do animals sleep too? We will be finding answers to these questions and more.

In **Literacy** we will be developing our pencil control and learning to write our names. In phonics we will be learning our initial sounds and practising our letter formation. We will be reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction books, finding information and retelling stories.

In **Maths** we will be working on the areas of counting, number recognition, ordering and number formation. We will be using a lot of practical activities to start adding and subtracting.

In the other areas of the curriculum we will be looking at

**Personal, Social and Emotional-** classroom routines, building relationships, being aware of expectations and boundaries, working together and feelings.

**Communication & Language-** speaking and listening through games and community circles, what good listening is, talking about ourselves and our world.

**Physical-** using small tools such as scissors and play dough tools, remembering and repeating simple movements in Dance, improving hand-eye coordination and fine motor skills, music and movement.

**Understanding the World-** All about me, our senses and bodies, Harvest Festival and our similarities and differences.

**Art and Design-** Painting, collage, creating, junk modelling.

**Once the children are in full time we will be sending home reading books that we would like you to share with your child daily. Your child will also receive a phonics book to practise writing their sounds in.**

## Home learning Ideas

These are not compulsory, but your child may like to give these a go at home. Anything your child brings in will be shared with the class and celebrated.

- Can you tell us about something you did in the summer holidays? Maybe you could draw a picture or create a poster.
- Tell us about your family. Maybe you could bring in photos to share or draw and label a picture.
- What do you know about numbers? You could learn a song involving numbers or do a number hunt when you are out for a walk.
- Tell us about your bedtime routine. Do you have a favourite bedtime story you could bring in and share?
- You could practice writing your name in different colours or pens to make a name poster.

## Books you could read at home

Me- Emma Dodd

Only one you- Linda Kranz

Who's in my Family - Robie H. Harris

Titch- Pat Hutchins

Peace at Last- Jill Murphy

The Darkest Dark- Chris Hadfield

Wow it's night-time- Tim Hopgood

Bedtime Billy Bear- Miriam Moss

Bedtime Little Bear- John Lancer

The Bedtime Bear- Ian Whybrow & Axel Scheffler



**Let us know if you have any other suggestions!**

## Dates for your diary

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October- Slumber party**

**More information to come!**