

Areas of Learning	Autumn1 If you are happy and you know it... 	Autumn 2 Earth Wind and Fire 	Spring 1 Dragons, damsels and Discovery 	Spring 2 How Does your garden grow? 	Summer 1 Down on the Farm 	Summer 2 Anchors Away 
Religious education	Myself Welcome Birthdays		Celebrations Gathering Growing		Good News Friends Our World	
Language Literacy and Communication Jolly Phonics will be taught throughout the year	Talk for writing Mr. wiggle and Mr. Woggle Squeaky story NF Looking After a pet Text to share The Rainbow Fish Something Else My Many Coloured days Funny Bones I smell a pickle Mouse is Mad Rainbow Fish	Talk for writing Sleepy Bumble Bee Let Me Come In NF How to keep warm Text to share	Talk for writing The enormous Turnip NF making turnip Soup Gunny Wolf NF Twist me and turn going for a magical walk Text to share The Egg Picky princess Cinderella Goldilocks and Three bears Mr wolfs pancakes The three little wolves and the big bad pig	Talk for writing Gingerbread Man NF mapping the journey Jaspers Beanstalk Bill Goats Gruff NF Should we feed the Troll Text to share Jack and the beanstalk The Very hungry caterpillar Mr wolfs pancakes	Talk for writing Little Red Hen NF Baking Bread The sheep and the goat NF wolves and other cuddly animals Text to share Superworm The bad tempered ladybird Dear Zoo Pig in the pond Farmer duck Farmyard Hullabullo	Talk for writing A mouse called maisy Quacking Text to share Tiddler The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch Billy's Bucket Barry the Fish with Fingers The snail and the Whale Billy and the flum flum tree Pirates Love Underpants

	Elmer Leaf man Three Little Pigs Funnybones					
Welsh	Y Meddyg Beth sy'n y bod? Mae .. tost gyda fi.	Y tywydd Stori Nadolig	Dillad	Bwyta/Picnic tedi twt	Tedi Twt ar y Fferm	Ar lan y Mor
Maths and Numeracy	numbers to 10 graph of our eye colour/ how many letters in our name. Explore short and long, measure hand span and length of our feet. 2 D Shapes (Linked to mouse story) Go on a shape hunt around the school.. Make patterns using different 2D shapes	3D shapes	Recap on counting, formation of numbers to 10 and making numbers to 20 in practical ways Investigate different coins Addition/Subtraction	Symmetry Tally charts of favourite fruits Teen numbers with minibeasts	Clock times with the bad tempered lady bird characters Shape Sorting animals	capacity

Science and Technology	Learn all about our body. Make tally Design homes for the Three Pigs/compare to our own homes	Push and pull Magnetic/non magnetic Day night light sources shadows	Making soup	Life cycles Making pancakes for shrove Tuesday	Material - linked to heating What do animals give us? - wool, milk, etc. Animal families - matching babies + mothers.	Floating and sinking Material - freezing
Health and wellbeing	Who is special to us? We will earn the names of our teachers and people in our school. Learn the Golden Rules.		Chinese New Year	Health foods		
Expressive Arts	Make Leaf men Skeletons using art straws Create pasta faces depicting different emotions. Make shape pictures. Kandinsky art	Fire work pictures use zig zag, curved and straight lines to create firework display Bubble painting Christmas Cards and	Chinese dragon dance Chinese masks/flags	Matisse - the snail Symmetrical butterflies Playdough minibeasts Snail trails made from shaving foam Snail spirals (cutting skills)		

	Rainbow fish collages - linked to shape and patterns	decorations Christmas assembly				
Humanities			Journey around Llanishen			Co ordinates and map
Role Play	Baby Clinic Ysbyty Crist y Brenin	Dinosaur Den/ Science lab	Fairytale role play	Garden Centre	Farm yard	Pirate ship role play
Trips /Stimulus		Christmas Pantomime	Cardiff Castle Knights dragons and damsels	Living Eggs - New Life linked to Easter	Green meadow Farm	

Below are the topics for the year in which all children in Early Years will participate. In addition to these planned activities, children will regularly be encouraged to think of some of their own ideas which we will incorporate into our planning (**Pupil Voice**) Children's ideas are collected through weekly class discussions and observations. We value all children's contributions towards our planning, and by allowing children to share their own interests and ideas they continue to be motivated learners. We look at a wide range of seasonal and religious festivals throughout the year such as Diwali, Harvest, Christmas, Chinese New Year, Easter, Hanukah.



Autumn 1 - If you are Happy and you know It!

Our first term is all about getting to know you!, we will be developing our personal, social and emotional skills by making positive, new relationships with each other and learning the routines of the school. We will develop our communication and language skills through the story of The Three Little Pigs, where we will share photographs and stories of our own homes and talk about our families and people who are special to us. We will discuss what makes us special and things that we like doing. We will also take time to reflect on ourselves as individuals and how we treat others, inspired by the story of The Rainbow Fish. We will begin daily phonics sessions, and learn some simple keywords.



Autumn 2- Earth, Wind and Fire

In this topic our CTK scientists are on the case, we will be putting our lab coats on to conduct experiments in the world around us. We will learn all about push and pull as we fly our own kites, blow bubbles and watch how they float in the air. Investigate what magnets stick to? We will be developing our teamwork skills to create erupting volcanoes. We will celebrate Bonfire night and make firework pictures. We will also be working hard on our Christmas assembly.



Spring 1 - Dragons, Damsels and Discovery

In this magical half term, the children will be acting out traditional stories, such as 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will help the Jolly Postman to deliver his letters by taking a trip around Llanishen to the post box. Junk modelling and building blocks will allow us to create our own magnificent castles while providing opportunities to become familiar with 3D shapes. In the 'Fairy-tale Land', role-play area the children will have a chance to dress up as one of their favourite fairytale characters. We will also explore different coins.



Spring 2 - How Does Your Garden Grow?

This term we will be learning about life processes and the world around us. Through the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar, we learn about life-cycles and create split-pin wheels to demonstrate this. We continue to thrive as artists as we make colourful symmetrical butterflies, flourishing flower fine art and Matisse inspired snail pictures. As mathematicians we will learn how to tally to record what our friends like to eat and from this data, we will discuss and design a healthy meal. Not only this but we also become story tellers as we learn

Jasper's Beanstalk off by heart using creative, hand-drawn story maps, along with Jack and the Beanstalk where our imaginations run wild, designing and describing what kind of giant we would like to meet at the top of the beanstalk. We will also be learning about new life when the living eggs arrive and we watch them hatch before our very own eyes.



Summer 1 - Down on the Farm

Get your overalls ready...this term is all about getting mucky on the farm as our outdoor area transforms into a farmyard. Feed the animals, milk the cow, stack the milk crates and jump on the tractor! As inquisitive farmers, our children will visit Green Meadow Farm to learn about the importance of looking after animals and continue to discuss and understand life-cycles. They will be immersed in the story of The Little Red Hen where they will act out and learn the process involved in making bread. This experience enables us to become story tellers once more as we create a class story book and an opportunity to practise our best handwriting as we write to Green Meadow Farm to thank them for our school trip.



Summer 2 - Anchors Away

Ship ahoy! As the classroom transforms into a pirate ship, expect to see handmade telescopes, eye patches, hats, hooks, belts and swords as the children become pirates and get creative to enhance their play. We explore endless pirate adventures inspiring us to write our own, action packed stories. As geographers, we will make our own maps and challenge our friends to find the treasure. We will investigate if a rock floats? Will a coin sink? The children will also be splashing around and investigating the capacity of different containers. This is also a very important half-term as we start to think about transition and the journey into our next class and meet our new teacher.

We hope that your child has a fantastic year with us in the Early Years Unit!

