Reception Class Information for the Autumn Term

 Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term the focus will be on establishing rules, getting to know one another and building strong and trusting relationships. The children will be encouraged to initiate conversations with others and join in turn taking.

Communication and Language

During circle time the children will learn to listen to each other. They will listen to a variety of stories and begin to anticipate key events. The children will be encouraged to use the correct tense when speaking and to extend their sentences.

Physical Development

The children will take part in P.E sessions where they will be learning basic skills. We will also be working on pencil grip and letter formation this term.

Understanding the World

We will be going on welly walks, where the children will be encouraged to observe, find out about and identify features of the environment. We will be learning about celebrations around the world.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children get weekly dance sessions from our dance teacher and PE lessons from Andy, the PE teacher. The sessions will be focusing on basic skills and techniques based around our topics.

Areas of Learning

 Literacy

The children will take part in daily phonics sessions. They will share and re-tell stories using puppets, toys or dressing up clothes. The children will begin the early stages of reading and writing,

 The children will be given their first reading book to take home. Some books will have no words at the beginning. Please encourage your child to look carefully at what is happening on each page and talk about it in sentences e.g. “Mum is not happy with the dog as the dog is very muddy.”

 Maths

The children will play counting games and sing number songs together. They will begin to measure and compare objects that we see every day and use words such as: bigger, smallest, circle, straight to describe them. They will be learning to recognise order and write numbers 0 to 20. They will solve simple practical problems together and try to work out what they might do next.

This half term we will be focusing on settling into school life. Our theme this term is based around food, colour and shape. Within this theme we will be doing mini topic based on bears, food and celebrations.