



Rainbow Class: Teaching and Learning Letter: Autumn 1: Who am I?

Notes:

- Welcome to Fir Bank Primary School – we cannot wait to welcome our new children into Rainbow Class
- Please ensure that all personal belongings and clothing is labelled as we don't want anything to get lost!
- We will spend lots of time outside so please ensure you have provided your child with a pair of wellies to keep at school.

If you haven't managed to log onto Purple Mash yet, please ask one of us and we will try to help you. We will use this to tell you all about your child's time in Rainbow Class and share important updates ☺

Mrs Bennett



How can you learn at home?

Encourage independence

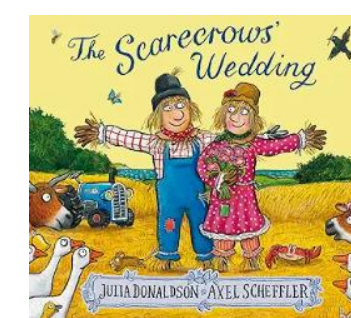
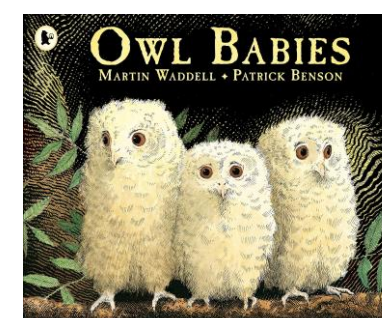
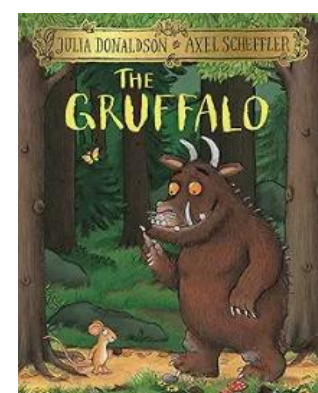
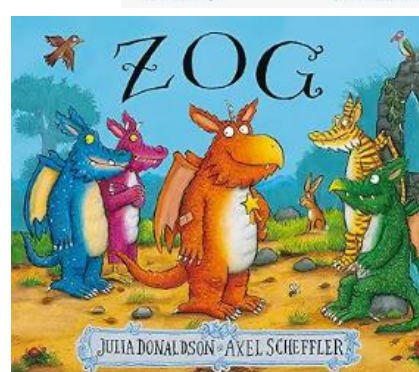
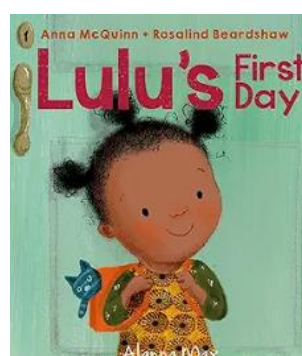
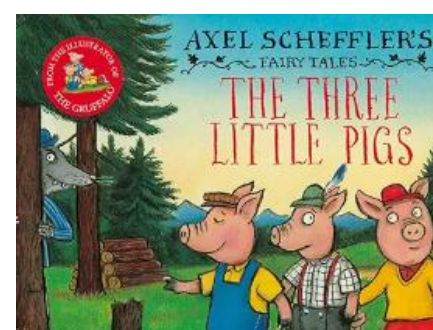
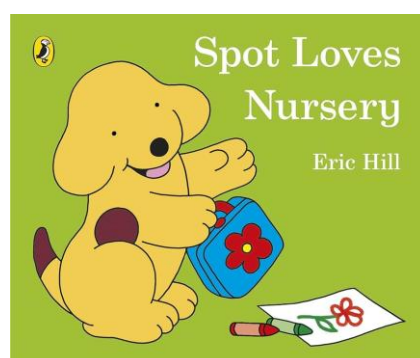
Teach your child how to get dressed independently, including putting on their own coat and shoes.

Stories

Read as many stories as possible with your child as this will help them to develop their communication and language, as well as their imagination!

Singing/Rhymes

Practise singing nursery rhymes – there is a link on Purple Mash if you need a reminder of some



These stories help us to recognise our school routine. We can talk about the activities we like and dislike. We can talk about our worries and identify emotions. We can talk about our new friends.

These stories help us to discuss feelings and opinions. We can talk about our houses and who we live. We can talk about familiar stories and join in with repeated refrains. We can retell traditional tales with props and support.

These stories help us to recognise families in stories, they will encourage us to discuss our own and different types of families. We can compare stories to real life.. We can talk about Autumn and the changes to the trees.

Starting School

Spring

Summer

Autumn

Winter

Key Vocabulary:

- my name
- my friends names
- my teachers names
- my families names
- my age



Can you help your child by talking about who is in your family?



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Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

We will be learning to:

- Be happy and confident to leave family when arriving at school
- Begin to follow classroom routines
- Share resources and take turns when playing
- Identify and talk about myself positively

Maths:

We will be learning to:

- Identify colours
- Talk about size
- Match and sort by colours and sizes
- Sing a range of number songs
- Create patterns using colours, shapes and sizes.



Physical Development:

We will be learning to:

Gross Motor

We will be learning to:

- Use the toilet and wash our hands independently
- Put on our coat independently
- Climb on an obstacle course independently

Fine Motor

We will be learning to:

- Show preference for a dominant hand
- Start to eat independently using a knife and fork
- Use a paintbrush to paint
- Roll dough in our hands to create a ball

Literacy:

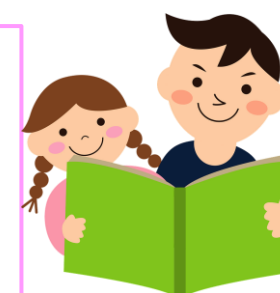
We will be learning to:

Reading

- Handle books correctly and take care of them
- Listen to stories in groups
- Recognise our own name (first letter, then all the name)
- Read familiar logos
- Participate in story time with our peers

Writing

- Use the writing area to enjoy mark making freely
- Explore using a variety of mark making equipment eg pens, chalks, crayons, paints, glitter, brushes and water



Can you practise mark-making at home? Even a scribble is great!



Expressive Arts and Design:

We will be learning to:

- Paint a picture of ourselves and our family
- Use different media
- Sing nursery rhymes and familiar songs
- Develop our imagination through a variety of small world play
- Explore the home corner and recreate familiar tasks and chores

Communication and Language

We will be learning to:

- Say the names of my teachers, my new friends and my class (Rainbow Class)
- Talk about myself and my family
- Develop listening and language skills through stories
- Sing rhymes and look at picture books



Understanding The World:

We will be learning to:

- Talk about our family
- Talk about the differences between myself and my friends
- Celebrate the Harvest festival

