

# Galaxy Class - Term 1 Curriculum News!

## MATHS

Number – We are counting (e.g. people and fruits), matching numerals, ordering and sequencing numbers and routines, participating in role play exchanging coins for items, listening and joining in with our favourite number songs.

Shape & Measures – We are working on patterns, doing puzzles, filling containers with various solids and liquids and using scales.

Using & Applying mathematics – We are comparing and grouping items by similar characteristics (finding the same).

## EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN

We are exploring different materials, media and textures, mixing autumn colours, doing autumn collages. We are using scissors to cut.

We are learning how to make sandwiches. We are making bread, bird seed cakes and apple crumble.

We are creating a seed shakers and clay hedgehogs. We are listening our favourite songs and working on general sound discrimination (animals and instrumental sounds).

## ICT

We are working on iPads, for choosing our favourite songs, mark making and playing interactive games. We are learning to write our name using a writing program.



## Autumn

*Introducing me, Harvest (fruit and bread) & autumn*

## LITERACY

Stories – We are reading stories related to our topic (*Making Faces* by Nick Butterworth, *But Martin* by June Counsel, *Let it fall* by Maryann Cocoa, *We are going on a leaf hunt* by Steve Meltzer, *Little Red Hen*, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle, *Handa's Surprise* by Eileen Browne), stories that we like (e.g. *noisy books*, *sensory books*) and other interactive stories (*The country side game* by Herve Tullet, *Plant the tiny seed* by Christie Matheson).

Language and communication – We are working on our individual speech & language targets and our listening skills.

Writing – We are working on our fine motor skills and doing mark making on sensory trays, magic boards and iPad apps. We are learning to create short sentences by sequencing photos, symbols or letters.

## SCHOOL TRIPS & EVENTS...

We are doing trips in our school (to the forest area, the meadow and the secret garden) and attending to our Primary Assembly.

## SCIENCE

Healthy Me – We are still working on toileting, eating healthy and routines.

Feelings – We keep learning to understand and express our immediate needs and feelings.

Harvest – naming and exploring harvest foods.

## GEOGRAPHY

Autumn Walk – We are planting bulbs, sorting leaves, seeds and other finds from walk.

## RE

Celebrations – We are learning about different events and celebrations (e.g. Harvest Festival).

## PE

We are working on body action games and songs, ball skills and sensory integration programmes.

## GENERAL HOMEWORK IDEAS...

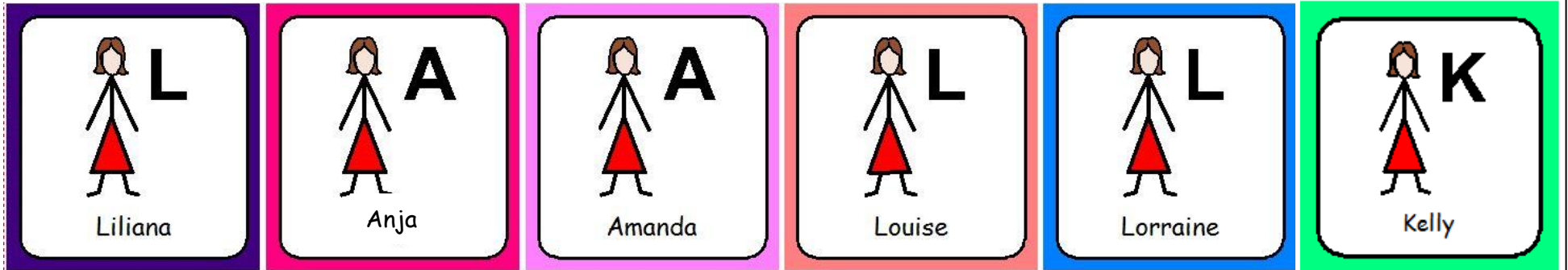
Sing Topic songs: 'Bean Bag', 'Finger Family', 'One little finger', 'Tommy Thumb', 'This is the way', 'The parts of you and me', 'Dingle dangle scarecrow', 'Apple song', 'Falling leaves', 'Leaf little leaf', 'That's how a pumpkin grows', 'Oats, Peas, Beans and Barley Grow'.

Help me to name fruits.

You can encourage me to use PECS to request for food and activities, to ask for help or comment at home.

You can take me in a trip to the Park (e.g. to collect some leaves) and to Garden (e.g. to plant some seeds).

# Meet Galaxy Class Team...



**Our Teacher**

**Our Teacher Assistants**

**Our Dinner Lady**

**Our Forest School Teacher**

This term we have PE on Fridays and Forest School on Wednesdays... Yippee!

Please could we have at least one set of spare clothes (named) in school for those 'just in case moments...', another set of clothes for messy play and Wellies to be able to use the secret garden at school because we love to explore.

Thanks 😊

Many thanks for your voluntary contributions towards snack this term, it enables us to offer a variety of snacks to meet most tastes.



Thanks for letting us know about all the exciting events and adventures taking place at home, such as new achievements and celebrations.

