### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

This term the children will be encouraged to broaden their friendship circles by talking to, listening to and playing with others. They will understand that persevering will help to tackle challenges and they will start to set their own goals to work towards.

#### Mathematics

In maths the children will develop a deeper understanding of numbers and will be able to represent the numbers in different ways. They will begin to compare amounts by finding 1 more or 1 less. The children will compose and decompose shapes so that they recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can.

### **Physical Development**

In dance the children will learn to move in time to different music and they will experiment with ways of moving. This term the children will also have lots of opportunity to develop their fine motor skills so that they can hold a pencil effectively and begin to form letters correctly. They will use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. lette correctly.

## Literacy

The children will engage in story times, joining in with repeated phrases and actions and begin to answer questions about these stories. This term the children will have lots of opportunities to apply their knowledge of letter sounds by reading and beginning to write captions and simple sentences. They will extend their phonic knowledge by learning about the sounds that digraphs and trigraphs make (2 and 3 letters that make one sound).

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# **Expressive Arts and Design**

The children will learn to wriggle, jiggle and dance to different songs from around the world. They will clap, stamp and click to explore the steady beat of music. The children will use real instruments to create their own rhythms and musical patterns. In our workshop they will explore different techniques for joining materials (glue stick, PVA, masking tape, tape).

## **Understanding the World**

The children will recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways (Christmas, Lunar New Year, Hanukah). The children will explore the natural world around them. They will learn about different animals around the world and will look closely at the animal patterns.

### **R.E - Come and See Topics**

Celebrating –knowing how the parish family celebrates.

## **Communication and Language**

The children will continue to develop their listening and attention skills through story, singing and music sessions. They will develop a range of vocabulary in relation to music and movement. The children will make comments about their own observations and will begin to talk about why things happen using new vocabulary.