



## Marvellous Me – Week Six & Seven



The theme for our learning for the rest of this half term will be 'Exploring Autumn with a focus on Harvest'. We will be going on an 'Autumn Walk' gathering lots of Autumn treasures and making a delicious Autumnal soup!

<p><b><u>Communication and Language</u></b></p> <p>Share what we like about Autumn and go on an 'Autumn treasure' walk. Children will be encouraged to describe the look, feel, taste, smell of different seasonal fruits, vegetables and spices/herbs. Harvest resources will be added to our potion kitchen- spices, tea bags, fruits and veg.</p>	<p><b><u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u></b> (Parent partnership) We will send home our Autumn nature hunt boxes with each child so that parents can continue our Autumn treasure hunt at home. You could explore your own garden or go for a walk out and about. What are you thankful for? Link to Harvest festival.</p>	<p><b><u>Physical Development</u></b></p> <p>Tweezers to explore seasonal fruits and vegetables. Chopping and cutting up fruits and vegetables. Textured (variety of seeds) and scented playdough. We will start to learn Harvest songs and actions for our Harvest festival service.</p>
<p><b><u>Expressive Arts and Design</u></b></p> <p>We will make leaf people/animals out of autumn leaves we have collected and dried out. Use sticks, leaves and other Autumn items in the playdough area and craft area for Autumn art and the children will find natural items to add to it when we go on our Autumn walk.</p>	<p><b><u>Mathematics</u></b></p> <p>The children will build on their <u>subitising skills</u>. They will continue to use 'perceptual' subitising – instant recognition – by saying the number of sounds that they can hear, such as claps or drum beats, without needing to count.</p> <p><b><u>Comparison</u></b></p> <p>Reinforcing the language of 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'an equal number' to describe how many objects there are in each set.</p>	<p><b><u>Understanding the World</u></b></p> <p>We will talk about the seasons and how the weather around us changes throughout the year. Talk about similarities and differences of vegetables. Explore what is inside a pumpkin and seasonal veg. Harvest display with picture cards, books, loose parts, pumpkins, autumn treasures etc. Make an autumnal soup. Make bird feeders to hang in our outside area.</p>
<p><b><u>Literacy</u></b></p> <p>Our focus stories will be 'Leaf Man' by Lois Ehlert and we will read 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson and talk about the changing seasons and seasonal activities.</p>	<p><b><u>Ideas to Explore at Home</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Go on your own Autumn Treasure hunt! This could be out and about or in your own garden.</li> <li>Have a go at making a simple bird feeder and hang it in your garden: <a href="#">How to make a Bird Feeder for kids - Simple and Easy - YouTube</a></li> </ul>	