



To understand our world we will...

- Create a timeline of exciting things happening in school and home so we can learn about past and present
- Develop positive attitudes about the differences between people
- Develop our understanding of being unique and that differences make us special.

To develop our communication and language we will...

- Learn our core songs and rhymes and add in actions and funny voices or sounds
- Listen to lots of stories throughout the day, joining in using puppets and props
- Learn to ask and answer questions using words such as 'why', 'how' and 'when'

To become readers and writers we will...

- Have fun filled phonics sessions every day where we will sing, dance and maybe even shout (a lot!)
- Share books with our friends and bring Dream Reads home to share with you.

Our mini topic is Elmer!



Each half term, as well as the continuous provision which is accessible to the children at all times, we will have a mini topic which runs alongside. This half term we are focusing on being ourselves and the book we will be focussing on to help us with this is 'Elmer'. Elmer will be one of our core texts for the year which means we will reread it regularly and there will be some exciting learning opportunities linked to the book added to the areas throughout the weeks to enhance our learning.

To help us regulate our feelings and build relationships we will...

- Learn how to use our new learning areas, where to find resources and how to put them back
- Begin to learn why rules are important



To develop our gross motor skills we will...

- Dance with scarves to strengthen our shoulders and tummy muscles
- Climb, swing, crawl, skip, run in PE to help us gain control over our whole bodies

To become mini mathematicians we will...

- Explore numbers 1,2 and 3 and how to make them, what they look like and how to recognise them
- Be matching, sorting and comparing objects of all shapes and sizes
- Begin to explore mass, capacity, size and pattern

To be part of Lenny's Learning Zoo we will be...

- Exploring Elephants
- Go For It Gorillas

To develop our fine motor skills we will...

- Nursery - join in with Story Dough to make our fingers strong and ready for writing, cutting, painting and drawing
- Reception – engage in our exciting Drawing Club bringing mark making to life!
- Tell stories using finger puppets
- Use one handed tools such as tweezers, scissors, rollers and scoops