



Term: Autumn 1 Learning Project:
Getting to know you!
Why do leaves go crispy?

Communication & Language Literacy

Pete the Cat books; I love my white shoes, Rockin in my school shoes, Pete's Groovy Buttons.
Read a range of books about Autumn - including non - fiction e.g. Stickman, The Gruffalo, Scaredy Squirrel, The Enormous Turnip, The Little Red hen
Look/Discuss Autumn - generate questions about Autumn and learn songs and poems about Autumn.

Writing Den:

Introduce area -
Provide lots of practice for writing their name - frames for drawing portraits/ family portraits, forming letters as they are introduced RWI, pete the cat resources - cvc words. Pictures to write labels and captions on. Make cards/invitations for Harvest

Reading Den:

Laminated pictures from the story to order
Make story maps
Puppets & theatre

Maths Den

Counting - family members, body parts, letters in name, Recognising numbers - house number, age, Shape house/cat sibling time lines (where are you in the family?) Pete's buttons - matching numbers/early subtraction Sort and make collections - number, counting skills incl 1 more/less Weigh/estimate natural objects Make number/shape patterns, Count out objects

Personal, Social & Emotional Development.

Use Pete the cat - lots of getting to know you games
Teach listening skills and turn taking also following directions
Teaching feelings words - how do you feel today - use the inside out posters

Sand/Water/Materials

Introduce areas and equipment
Add petes shoes to wash in the water tray
Use autumn treasures to make patterns in the sounds
Investigate floating and sinking in the water area

Understanding the world

Making family stick bundles
Link to maths (shape) use a key for who lives in my house
'me in a nutshell' bags - talking about their special things/photos
Go on an Autumn Trail around school and collect autumn treasures
Make wax and paint rubbings from leaves.

Construction

Build your house (use photos of their house) large and small scale
Make natural Sculptures, artwork in the outdoor area, build dens with natural materials.

Expressive Arts and Design

Salt writing with watercolours (name)
Natural portraits
Teach colour mixing
Sing colour rhymes
Teach children to use the coloured xylophone
Build houses - other buildings in our community
Make Autumn trees
Sing harvest songs
Clay woodland creatures
Observational drawings of fruit/veg

Physical Development.

Pete the cat - directions game
Sewing pete's buttons
Making name label using glue and dried beans/peas

Small World

Sensory activity based on I love my white shoes
Community places - families
Stick man forest / Autumn Wonderland

Role Play

Pete's house
Woodland reading area