

Communication and Language

Autumn Listening Walk—Children to listen to and describe the sounds they can hear on the walk.

Investigation area—Autumnal objects—conkers, leaves, pine cones, vegetables etc. Encourage children to explore them and ask questions about them. What do they feel/smell/look like?

Autumn vocabulary—feely bags during key worker time.

Understanding the World

Autumn Walk—looking at the trees, collecting leaves etc.

Harvest Table—tough tray—exploring fruit and vegetables that are harvested at this time of year. What do they look like? What does it smell like? Have you ever eaten these?

Small world—add Autumn objects to the small world area.

Kites—Explore how the wind lifts the kites.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Pumpkin emotions— happy, sad, scared, surprised—carve these into the pumpkins—pass the pumpkins round—what makes you feel 'happy'/'sad' etc.

Hedgehog and Squirrel puppets—how are you feeling today?

Look at Autumn photographs, encourage children to talk about how it makes them feel.

Literacy

Name Recognition—Names on leaves. Going on a leaf hunt—can you see your name?

Guided Draw—Get squiggling—how to draw a squirrel.

Leaves, googly eyes and pens—draw leaf character and write /trace their name.

Letter recognition—write letters on Autumn leaves, can the children find the first letter of their name?



Nursery Unit Autumn



Expressive Arts and Design

Leaf printing—what colours are the leaves in Autumn? Match the leaves to the print.

Apple Printing pumpkins—emotions. Print pumpkins and draw on their emotions.

Song—Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow, 5 little pumpkins.

Autumn Leaves on trees—scrunching technique.

Autumn coloured scarves and ribbons—create an Autumn dance.

Potato printing—Autumn colours.

Physical Development

Look at and discuss clothing worn in Autumn . Practice putting on coats, hats, scarves and gloves.

Raking leaves—brushing up the leaves.

Scooping the insides of pumpkins.

Autumn mark making in the sand. (Reveal images)

Playdough Hedgehogs.

Using pegs to collect Autumn items from between the ribbons/wool.

Cinnamon playdough—discuss marks left by the leaves.

Mathematics

Matching—find the matching Autumn objects.

Natural objects patterns.

Hide animals around the room. Chn to describe where they are using prepositions.

Create Autumn themed pictures using different 2D shapes.