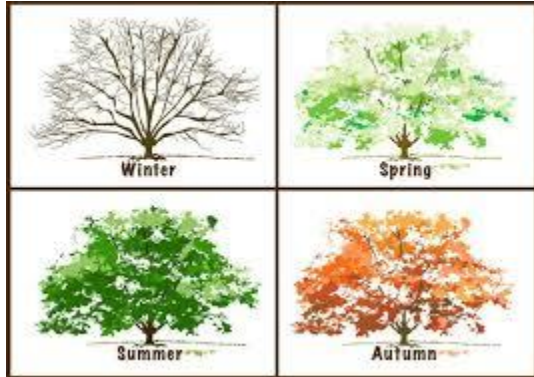


Topic fact sheet - Autumn

What is Autumn?

Autumn is one of the four seasons. The Autumn months are September, October and November.



Key Vocabulary

- Seasons- four different times of year with different types of weather. The four seasons are Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.
- Evergreen- a plant that has leaves that stay green all year round.
- Deciduous- plants that lose their leaves, normally in Autumn.
- Nocturnal- animals that are active during the night.
- Hibernation- when animals spend their Winter sleeping.

What are the signs of Autumn?

Leaves start to turn different colours and fall off the trees.

The weather gets colder.

It gets darker earlier.

You might find lots of acorns and conkers!

What is the weather like in Autumn?

In Autumn, the weather is normally a bit chilly and it gets colder in the evening and during the night. There is normally more rain in Autumn than during the Summer and it can also be foggy.

What happens to animals in Autumn?

Hedgehogs hibernate through Autumn and Winter.

Most wasps will die in Autumn but the queen wasp will survive in the nest.

During Autumn, squirrels collect lots of nuts and acorns. They hide them in the ground. During Winter they stay in their nests and only come out to eat the food they have hidden.



Chawson 1st School

Autumn topic letter

Year One

Our next topic this half term is:

Autumn



ENGLISH

What?

We are learning a new story called Owl Babies by Martin Waddell. We are learning to use adjectives to describe different characters and settings.

Why? The children will understand how to use adjectives for description to make our writing more exciting.

WOW! We will be acting out the story in our COOL time to help us really understand how the characters are feeling in the story.

Help at home by:

Going for a walk in the woods and using your senses to describe it.

MATHS

What? Counting up to 100 and exploring the structure of numbers.

Partition numbers to 10 and understand both the addition and subtraction facts.

Recognise 3D shapes and compare how they are similar and different.

Why? To begin to understand place value.

WOW! We will know how to partition numbers up to 10 and will be able to say the different addition and subtraction facts for these numbers.

Help at home by: Counting forwards and backwards from any number really quickly. Keep practicing your learn-its.

Cross Curricular Links

What? Learning all about the seasonal changes that happen in Autumn.

Why? To know about the seasonal changes in Autumn so that we can understand the world around us better.

Wow! We will create Autumn inside our classrooms and provide food and shelter for our wildlife over the winter in our outdoor areas.

PE Information:

Please come into school on PE days in black jogging bottoms or leggings, a white polo t shirt and black trainers.

1H- Monday and Wednesday

1B- Monday and Wednesday

These days will be for this half term only.

Homework:

Please keep checking bookbags for your weekly spellings and 'big maths learn-its'. These are for you to practice at home, they do not need to be returned to school.

Reading books:

Reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday. Please record your child's efforts on the Boom Reader app. The children will also choose a reading for pleasure book of their choice to bring home on a Friday. The children can change this weekly.

Important dates

Children in need- Friday 14th November

Year 1 Christmas performance- Thursday 11th December at 2.15pm

Year 1 Christmas performance- Friday 12th December at 9.00am

Year Group Timetable

8:40 Handwriting
9:00 Phonics
9:30 Writing
10:00 Play time
10:15 Snack and story
10:30 Reading practice
10:45 Maths
11:45 Lunch
1:00 Topic lesson
2:00 Play time
2:15 Dictation Sentence
2:40 Assembly
3:00 Story
3:10 Home time