

Time to Talk

Use these questions/activities to talk about harvest, farming and being thankful.

- What is autumn?
- What changes can you see in your garden, at the park, on your walk to school?
- What is happening to the trees?
- What do you notice about the days – light and dark?
- What is harvest?
- What is an arable farm?
- How do farmers harvest their crops?

Over the next two weeks, we will be learning all about autumn. The children will take part in an autumn walk in our local environment, noticing the seasonal changes around them.

We will find out about farmers and their crops. We will learn why harvesting is important and why it happens at certain times throughout the year. We will learn about harvest festivals and why/how people celebrate harvest time.



Autumn 1: Autumn and Harvest

Notices

Friday: Library – please return your library book each week so that you can choose a new one!

Golden Tickets: Your child receives Golden Tickets for showing our Guiding Stars of Responsibility, Empathy, Safety, Perseverance, Engagement, Confidence and Teamwork.



Key objectives we will develop over the next few weeks include teaching the children in Reception to:

- Understand how to listen and why listening is important.
- Use new vocabulary throughout the day.
- See themselves as a valuable individual.
- Build constructive and respectful relationships.
- Become more aware of how they feel and begin to use a broader vocabulary to describe their emotions.
- Develop overall body strength, coordination and balance.
- Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently e.g. scissors/pencils.
- Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them.
- Begin to blend sounds together to read words using the taught sounds.
- Sort objects by their properties.
- Compare length, height and size.
- Ask questions about their natural environment.
- Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.

Wow Words

Season, change, time, year.
Harvest, festival, vegetables, fruits, scarecrows, combine harvester, sowing seeds, growing, crops, gather.
Autumn, leaves, conkers, orange, brown, yellow, red, seasons, rustling, crunchy, autumn weather – rain, sun, cloud.

Project Texts

The Little Red Hen

Tattybogle

The Scarecrow's Wedding

Hello Autumn

The Enormous Turnip

Tractor Ted stories