



Holy Family Halewood
Foundation Stage
Understanding the World - Science
Nursery



Themes covered during the term:

- Autumn
- Winter
- Weather and changes in the environment

Learning Statements: Taken from DfE Development Matters 2021

EYFS Statutory Educational Programme:

'Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them'.

3 and 4-year-olds will be learning to:

- Explore and respond to different natural phenomena in their setting and on trips
- Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.

Core Vocabulary

- Autumn
- Winter
- Change
- Leaf
- Red/orange/
brown
- cold
- Snow
- Ice

Learning Opportunities

- Autumn paintings: finger paintings
- Autumn sensory tray
- Autumn walk – collecting leaves and conkers
- Autumn songs
- Winter colour paintings
- Winter sensory tray
- Winter Small World
- Experiencing variety of seasonal weather and natural materials during outdoor provision



Continuous Provision:

Equipment and resources continuously available to support Science:

- Outdoor area – natural surroundings
- Season jigsaws
- Weather jigsaws

Children's Interests:

Examples of children's interest to support these objectives and themes could include:

- Frozen
- Christmas / Santa

Yearly events during the term that support themes:

- Harvest
- Halloween
- Bonfire Night
- Christmas