# **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

We think about our own families and where we live. We will find out about how we are the same or different to others and how we should show respect towards each other. We will talk about what we think is special to us and listen to others carefully.

### **Communication and Language**

During each session we will have a 'Phonics' activity where we will develop our speaking and listening skills. We will explore how words are broken down into sounds in our play as well as explore rhyme, rhythm and alliteration.

## **Understanding the World**

We will explore different special dens, buildings and homes around the world and from the past. We will explore how different families live and what their homes look like. We will explore places that are special for groups of people, e.g. a church. We will design and make our own dens and buildings for a purpose. We will explore winter weather and what kinds of dens keep animals warm.

## **Mathematical Development**

We use a range of language to describe positions of objects in our play. We will explore numbers in a range of different fun number hunting activities as well as explore more and less. We will count carefully and begin to match and record numbers. We use mathematical ideas in our environment and in our play.

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# Special Places 'Dens and Designs'

### Our learning this half term...

We will be thinking about places that are special to us and special to others. We will use the word 'Respect' as our core value this half term and think carefully about what that looks like and means when we learn and play with others.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

We will construct different 3D structures using construction kits and various modelling techniques. We will explore using different sized boxes to make different dens and homes.

### **Physical Development**

Each day we will take part in a range of physical activities. We will develop our fine motor skills in our 'Dough Gym' sessions and our fiddly fingers activities will really get our fingers working. We will also be using the hall and outside for some larger space movements to develop our coordination, movement and balance skills.

## **Literacy Development**

We will find out about different houses and homes in information books and stories such as 'The Gruffalo's Child'. We will use small world play and role play to take on different roles and explore ideas. We will develop our early writing skills using different mark making tools and in our play. We will be looking for different signs and letters in the environment to read.