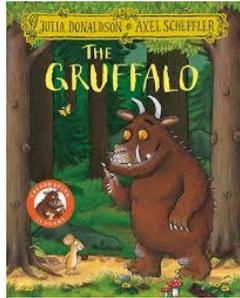


# The Gruffalo

Reception  
Autumn Two Term 2025



## Key Areas of Learning

As communicators, the children are building their vocabulary through routines, stories, rhymes, and songs. Interactive story times will support the understanding of new vocabulary and give the children roles during active listening time. As physically active people, the children explore movement through climbing, obstacle courses and negotiating space safely. They will be working in groups to create their own spaces to negotiate, as well as to use as purposeful props in their play. As sociable humans, the children are continuing to understand the needs of others and respond appropriately. The use of stories and positive interactions will support them in recognising different emotions and using strategies to regulate how they may feel.

### Literacy

As early readers and writers, the children will be continuing to develop their phonics knowledge by blending sounds into words and segmenting words to read them. The children are learning to recall key parts of a story, as well as thinking about thoughts and feelings of different characters. Taking on the role of different characters will add to the children's imaginative play as well as develop their spoken language.

### Mathematics

As mathematicians, we are continuing to use our subitising skills to recognise numbers and amounts in and around our environment. As well as this, the children will be developing their counting skills by following our 'class counting rules' to ensure they become confident and accurate counters. We will be continuing to develop mathematical language by comparing amounts using 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'equal' in context.

### Understanding the World

As the weather changes during this half term, the children will be able to observe the outdoors and explore the world around them. There will be lots of opportunities to comment on and discuss the changes around us, as well as using personal experiences to reflect on the natural world.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Through music, the children will listen carefully to sounds, sing familiar songs, create their own tunes, and play instruments to express their ideas and feelings. During their focussed play, the children will have the opportunity to role-play as characters from their Power of Reading story. Creativity will continue across the learning environment, with the children having access to a range of media and materials

### Physical Development

In Physical Education, the children will be continuing to develop their gross motor skills in game based contexts. They will be handling equipment safely whilst building team work skills. Fine motor development will continue as the children work through different activities with pens, pencils, scissors and a range of small tools.

### Experiences

#### Whole School Events and Themes

- Autumn Two
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November- Children in Need Spotty Dress Up Day
- WB 24<sup>th</sup> November (Tuesday and Thursday)- Autumn Term Parents Evening
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Fair
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December- EYFS Nativity
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December- KS2 Carol Concert
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Jumper Day
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December- KS1 Christmas Performance
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December- Class Christmas Parties
- Autumn Clubs Start- WB 19/09 - Ends- WE 1/12/25