

Communication & Language

- Use increasingly complex vocabulary.
- Explain.
- Recite learned rhymes and songs.
- Describe what is happening in a picture.
- Discuss.
- Express an opinion.
- Report observations.
- Use thematic vocabulary in conversations.

Physical Development

- Throw, kick or roll an object in an intended direction.
- Catch a ball or beanbag.
- Manipulate small objects with precision.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Take turns and share
- Co-operate with others on completing a task.
- Participate appropriately in co-operative activities.
- Follow classroom rules and routines.
- Demonstrate confidence in abilities.
- Assume classroom chores without being asked.
- Participate actively in classroom activities.

Vocabulary

autumn
bare
closer
closest
culture
fall
farther
farthest
gradually
harvest
numerals
pumpkin
season
shapes
spring
stalk
stems
summer
vines
winter
yeast

Season of Plenty - Learning Focus

Thematic Concepts

- There are four seasons in the year.
- The seasons are winter, spring, summer and autumn.
- The weather changes in autumn.
- Plants change in the autumn.
- Animals make changes in the autumn.
- People make changes in the autumn.

- Food comes from a variety of sources before it gets to shops.
- Some eggs come from chickens and ducks.
- Bread comes from grains.
- Fruit grows on bushes, vines and trees.
- Vegetables come from plants.
- Different vegetables are harvested at different times of the year.

Literacy

- Identify initial, final and medial phonemes in words.
- Discriminate visually between individual words and sentences in print.
- Identify book conventions.
- Explore books independently.
- Recall facts from stories heard.
- Blend sounds to read words.
- Demonstrate an awareness of the function of writing.
- Demonstrate an interest in writing to communicate.

Mathematics

- Create and name sets of 6, 7 and 8 objects.
- Estimate quantity.
- Use the terms yesterday, today and tomorrow.
- Measure objects using non-standard units.
- Classify and sort.
- Order objects in sequence related to size, space.

Understanding the World

- Predict outcomes, record observed data, draw conclusions.
- Describe basic life cycles of selected plants (apples, pumpkins).
- Demonstrate an awareness of the roles people play in society.
- Show an appreciation of and respect for differences in customs of varying cultural groups.
- Classify objects by: physical characteristics, multiple characteristics.
- Make a plan when doing an activity.
- Observe and make discoveries.

Expressive Arts and Design

- Pretend with objects.
- Explore creative arts materials.
- Take on dramatic roles.
- Participate in singing and chanting activities.
- Approach activities with increasing flexibility and imagination.
- Dramatise buying, selling and manufacturing.
- Dramatise knowledge and use of currency in society.

NOTE: Communication and Language development is a major focus in Kinder Corner. This is best achieved through consistent teacher modelling, use of talk partners and co-operative learning strategies and encouraging children to work together.