# Northwood Park Primary School

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We believe it important for the children to learn how to take turns and share with their peers. Therefore, this term we will focus on children building relationships with the new adults and peers around them and to become aware of the behavioural expectations within their class room and wider school.

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

Exploring paint, colours and different media will play a big part of the children's play during this first term. We look forward to children learning how to use colours for purpose, mixing colours and using what they know to create and design. They will also enjoy signing a range of nursery rhymes on a daily basis.

#### **Communication and Language**

In Reception children are encouraged to talk through their play, talk to their peers and adults alike. Speech is a vital part of a child's development, as it allows them to extend their vocabulary and explore new words. Children are encouraged to listen to others and respond appropriately.

#### **Understanding the World**

We look forward to finding out all about your children and who is important to them. We will spend time talking about where they live, who lives in their house and special times in their life. Children will be encouraged to explore the world around them and comment on what they notice, making comparisons and links.

### Reception

Autumn 1

'All about me....'

### **Physical Development**

Children in Reception will begin to experiment with different ways of moving this term. Fine motor skills will play a key part in the children's development throughout Reception. We will place a lot of emphasis on children being able to use simple tools effectively, e.g using scissors accurately, holding their pencil between their first two fingers and thumb, threading beads on a string.

#### **Curriculum information for parents**

#### **Maths**

This term children will be encouraged to explore Maths in their environment. We will be looking at how confidently children can count objects, which numerals they recognise and which shapes they can identify. Children will be encouraged to understand that numerals represent how many objects are in a set.

#### Literacy

During this term the children will begin to explore a range of books, they will look at how we handle books and how stories are structured. Children will be encouraged to explore the main characters, story settings and main events of stories. We will be exploring texts such as 'The Three Little Pigs', 'Goldilocks', 'The Gruffalo', and 'Little Red Riding Hood.'