

Hello EYFS families! Welcome to a brand-new term. Our topic this term is **A Day in the Life** — here is a look at what your child will be learning, playing and exploring, and how you can join in at home.

● Our Weekly Themes

WEEK 1–2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
Getting to Know You Me, my classroom, my body, senses & preferences	Things I Love Favourite toys, people, activities, food & play	Harvest Food, growing, collecting & sharing	Autumn Weather, nature, leaves, colours & sensory play	Spooksville Light & dark, dressing up, imaginative play

● Our Areas of Learning

Communication & Interaction

Listening, attention & understanding

Story sharing, sound guessing games, musical start and stop, visual timetables and group songs.

Social interaction

Attention Everyone, intensive interaction, now-and-next boards.

Physical Development

Gross motor

Trampoline, sensory circuit, obstacle courses, Piklar triangle, bikes and trikes, letter posting.

Fine motor

Self-portraits, busy boards, pegging on the washing line, scooping and pouring, tongs, playdough station.

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Self-regulation

Emotion cards, Zones of Regulation, mirror exploration.

Managing self

Doll dressing, toothbrush role play, toileting and dressing routines.

Building relationships

Home and kitchen role play, small world play, early turn-taking games.

Schemas of Play

Transporting — letter delivery, dollies & prams, car ramps. **Trajectory** — ball rolling, hoops, water pouring. **Enveloping & enclosing** — box houses, building blocks. **Rotation** — spinning wheels, rolling playdough. **Connection** — train sets, pegging. **Transforming** — mixing colours, junk modelling. **Positioning, Orienteering & Posting** — hide and seek, coin posting, matching.

Characteristics of Effective Learning

Playing & exploring

Real-life objects, role play, sensory trays, what's in the bag, mirror play, dressing up.

Active learning

Puzzles, matching games, obstacle courses, Attention Autism.

Creating & thinking critically

Loose parts, block building, choosing boards.

● Our Memorable Experience



Poppy Pops
Sensory Session

A morning of bubbles, lights, sounds & smiles

We're welcoming **Poppy Pops** into school for a wonderful multi-sensory experience. Every child in EYFS will take part in their own dedicated session — a gentle journey through sights, sounds, textures and movement that brings our topic to life.

In-school visit

30-minute session per class

Whole of EYFS

● Key Dates

Date	What's Happening
● Mon 28 Sep	Flu Vaccinations — Featherby
● Mon 5 Oct	Flu Vaccinations — Gillingham
● Fri 9 Oct	Macmillan Coffee Morning
● Date TBC	Memorable Experience

● Join In At Home

★ Try this together

Talk your child through the parts of their day — waking, eating, playing, resting — using the same simple words each time. Sharing sensory play at home, like scooping and pouring at bath time or exploring autumn leaves in the garden, helps connect home and school.

● Your EYFS Team

Owl

Eden Hammond & Megan Hutchins

Hedgehog

Marie Westlake / Megan Hutchins

💬 If you have any queries, please reach out to your child's class teacher via **Class Dojo**. We're always happy to help.