**Early Years Foundation Stage**

**Curriculum Plan**

**Autumn 1.1**

**Book Theme**

**Elmer**



**Communication, Language and Literacy**

Listening to Elmer stories and retelling stories

Animal sounds/movements- listening games

Phonics

Develop listening and attention skills

Elephant songs

Talk partners

**Expressive Arts and Design**

Creating textures

Making colours lighter and darker

Colour mixing with red, blue and yellow

Circle pictures with pastels like Kandinsky

Elephant movements

Acting out story- role play

**Understanding the World**

Elephant hide outs- going on safari

Colour explorers- colouring matching in the environment

Colour Mixing

Colour experiments

Sensory bottles

Colour bingo

Tasting colours –with jelly

**Physical Development**

Opportunities for large movements eg climbing, balancing equipment, large construction.

Opportunities for fine motor skill development eg threading, disco dough, peg boards

Working alongside others to develop tool use eg scissors, sellotape, knives in playdough

Ball skills- throwing, rolling, catching, kicking

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

Following rules- settling children in to school routines e.g. tidying away, looking after toys

Keeping safe at school and at home- knowing where everything is in school and adults in school

Saying Please and Thank you (Harvest) - using manners in school

Feelings when we are happy and sad

Being a good friend like Elmer

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**Mathematics**

Counting the number of elephants in a parade

Ordering numbered elephants

Measuring- comparing size and weight of elephants

Elephant shape pictures