

### Understanding of the World

We will be looking outdoors for birds and finding out what they eat, where they live and their life cycle. We will learn how to sort birds and animals based on their characteristics. We will explore the difference between day and night and find out about nocturnal animals.

### Physical Development

We will be using scissors to cut out and working on holding pencils and pens correctly in order to have more control. In the outdoor area we will practice putting on and fastening our own coats as the weather gets colder. We will explore moving like birds and observe the effects on our bodies after doing lots of activity.



### Communication and Language

They will listen to stories, songs and rhymes about birds and extend their vocabulary by learning the correct names for parts of a bird. They will have lots of opportunities to ask and answer questions based on the stories we read and will be encouraged to make predictions about what might happen next.

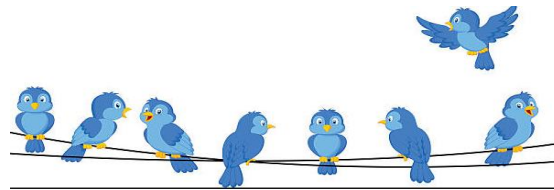
### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be talking about and describing our friends and thinking about how to be a good friend to others. We will explore the emotional journey of our story characters and think of ways we can cheer them up. In our Jigsaw time we will be talking about what we are good at and how it feels to be proud and what makes us unique and special.

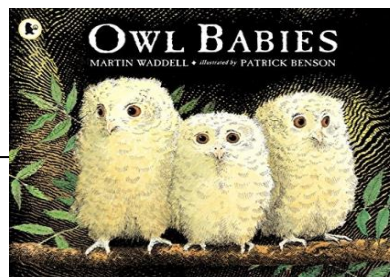
This term our topic is called

## Brilliant Birds!

Each week we will have lots of different fun learning activities based around birds.



Please note the children will be visited by SMJ Falconry where they will get to meet real birds close up!



### Expressive Arts

We will be making collages, pictures and models based around birds and describing the different textures. We will design and make our own binoculars for bird watching and make finger puppets to accompany the rhyme 'Two Little Dickie Birds'.

### Numeracy

We will be making long and short worms and measuring our feet to explore the language of size. We will be sorting by shape and colour and counting sets of eggs/birds in nests. We will continue to explore numbers to 10 so that children can recognise numerals and count accurately.



### Literacy

We will be focusing on the stories of 'Puffin Peter' and 'Owl Babies'. Describing the story settings, events and characters. We will be working on forming the letters for our names correctly and encouraging children to label their own pictures.



### Helping at home

Please help your child to notice birds in their own environment and encourage them to tell you what they have found out at Nursery. Can they tell you where birds live, what they eat? Etc. How many different types of birds do they know the names of?

