

# QUAILS AUTUMN 1

## PROJECT

### 'SPECIAL ME!'

#### Rationale

This project aims to welcome the new Quails to Netley Marsh CofE Infant School and to help them to settle and make new friends. Following home visits we asked the children and their families to create a special box of things that are important to them that they can share with their friends.

During this half term we will help the children to settle by playing games, reading stories, singing songs and by using discovery time to allow the children to explore their indoor and outdoor classroom environments.

As the project progresses, we will continually add the children's learning to a display to celebrate the learning the children have made.

## Curriculum Overview and Learning Goals

### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

- ❖ To make new friends
- ❖ To share special things
- ❖ To start to become familiar with the routines of school life

### **Physical Development**

- ❖ To develop fine motor skills to strengthen the more dominant hand to support cutting and writing skills
- ❖ To become familiar with the school equipment and learn how to use it safely, e.g. learning to climb on the apparatus safely

### **Mathematics**

- ❖ To join in with counting songs and games to build number recall and recognition
- ❖ To explore shapes and their names.
- ❖ To explore ordering of objects and the reasoning behind it

### **Exploring Media and Materials**

- ❖ To explore different songs and dances
- ❖ To explore using different materials
- ❖ To explore narratives during play

### **Communication and Language**

- ❖ To share special boxes in small groups
- ❖ To listen to others when they are sharing
- ❖ To explore rhyme

### **Literacy**

- ❖ To explore and enjoy a range of stories and books
- ❖ To begin to hear and learn initial sounds
- ❖ To begin to link meaning to the marks they make

### **Understanding the World**

- ❖ To explore similarities, differences and change in the world around us
- ❖ To share things that are important to use at home and important events in our lives

### **Religious Education**

Big Idea: Special Me  
What makes people special?