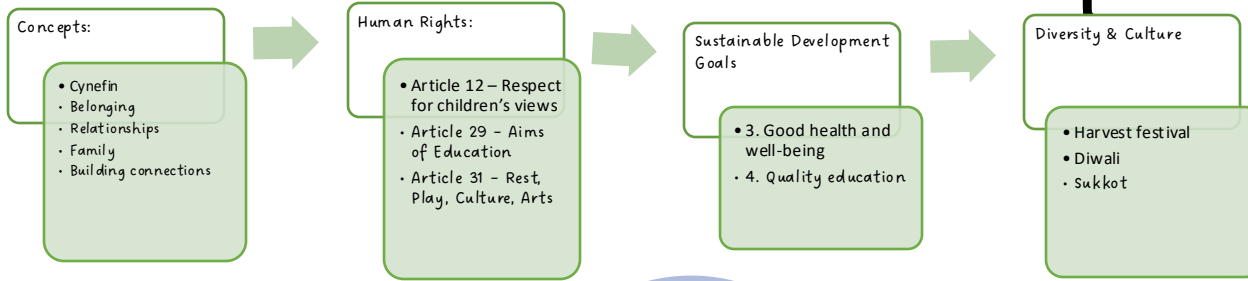


Our Planet, Our Future Cynefin - a sense of belonging



Nursery and Reception

Summit- Performance of Understanding:
Children will design their own 'Calm Jar'—a special container filled with items that bring comfort and happiness. They'll take it home as a personal tool to help them feel calm whenever they need it.



Areas of Learning & Experience

- Exploring the concept of Cynefin (place, belonging, identity)
- Learning about family structures and cultural diversity
- Understanding community and school as part of society
- **RVE:** Diwali, Sukkot

Humanities

Mathematics & Numeracy

- Developing routines
- Baseline assessments - counting, patterns, reciting, shape

- **Art:** drawing self-portraits and family portraits. Colour mixing
- **Music:** Harvest songs, Welsh songs - bore da, prynhawn da, sut mae'r tywydd heddiw.
- Cosmic yoga, dance as part of PE

Expressive Arts

Literacy Language & Communication

- **Class stories:** The Colour Monster, The Invisible String, Our Class is a Family
- Developing vocabulary around emotions and relationships
- Learning about each other through speaking and listening
- Baseline assessments - phonological awareness, listening and understanding, reading, expressive language

Science & Technology

- **Science:** Daily routines (e.g. hygiene, safety, classroom expectations)
- What we need to feel settled and secure (e.g. food, rest, emotional support)
- **IT:** Explore digital tools in class - SMART board, iPads and learn how to use programmable devices e.g. EaRLs

Health & Wellbeing

- Recognise and talk about their feelings
- Explore how their environment (home, school, community) influences how they feel.
- Learn strategies to feel safe, calm, and connected
- Begin to understand fairness, kindness, and inclusion
- Explore what makes a good friend and how to care for others



Wow - Experience to stimulate curiosity...

Through the magical stories of The Colour Monster and The Invisible String, children will explore feelings and connections in a creative, hands-on way. As they each hold part of a shared string, they'll discover how invisible threads link us all—building a sense of belonging, friendship, and community.

Lifelong Learning: As a result of this inquiry, children will **understand...** the concept of Cynefin—their sense of place, belonging, and identity—as they settle into Dosbarth Dafad and become part of the Penttyrch Primary family. Through stories, play, and shared experiences, they will explore emotions, friendships, and family, supported by books like The Colour Monster and Our Class is a Family. This inquiry nurtures emotional literacy, empathy, and connection, while helping children learn school routines, build relationships, and discover their own unique gifts.