Pre-school 3-5 year olds. Autumn 2023 Ideas of activities to explore further through our questions.

	Personal Social and Emotional Development
Did You Know That Everything in Nature is Made Up of Elements?	Book-The Colour Monster (exploring emotions) Feelings lotto Guess the feeling The elements of friendship Group/circle games Fire safety. Water safety.
Physical Development	Communication and Language
Air hockey	Describing firework sounds.
Group parachute games	Handel's Water music.
Kite flying	Songs-Abba: Waterloo/Earth Wind and Fire: Boogie
Cut and stick activities	Night/Rivers of Babylon/All I Need is the Air That I Breath.
Chasing bubbles	Rain, Rain Go Away/It's Raining, It's Pouring.
Using charcoals for mark making	Elements song.
Drawing with sticks	
Den building	
Vinegar, bicarb and food colouring pipettes.	
Yoga.	
Superworm scramble.	

Literacy	Mathematics Mathematics
Books-Once Upon a Raindrop/Kite Day/Little	Patterns in nature.
Acorns/Chopsticks/All About Japan/Famous Artists/Dipal's	Repeating patterns.
Diwali/Firefly/Fireman Sam/Topsy and Tim Go	Count the fire alarms.
Swimming/Elemental/Frozen 2.	Count the taps.
Exploring characters.	Measure height of stomp rockets and water rockets.
New vocab related to the theme eg. ember, cinder, wade.	Measure time taken for parachutes to land.
Poem-The Wind	Volume and capacity water/ice play.
Alliteration-taken from Ember's "Wild, wacky, whoopee!"	
Syllable counting- theme related words.	
Mark making in sand and mud.	
Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
Discovering Japan.	Artists-Andy Goldsworthy creating our own natural sculptures
Festivals and celebrations-Diwali/Shichi-Go-san/Fish	Gurihiru-pencil, inks and colours. Klimt's tree paintings.
Festival/World Soil Day/Disney Week.	Designing and making bridges.
Trips/Visits-Fire station/Whistlewood/Staunton	Designing and making mini parachutes.
Reservoir/Conkers/Rosliston/Tiny Town?	Vinegar/bicarb and food colouring
Cinema day-Elemental.	Bubble printing.
Talk from Lorna about her recent visit to Japan.	Fire station/Under the water role play.
Learn some Japanese words (Lorna?)	Fire station/under the water/woodlands/small world play.
Make water rockets.	Design and build a city.
Water play-floating and sinking/boats/habitats.	Clay divas.
Dam building and testing.	Sand play.
Waterproof materials.	
Bubble play-wands and bubble machines.	
Balloons/whoopee cushion.	
Community project about rivers.	