

Prime areas of learning

Communication and Language

Children will be encouraged to:

- Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.
- Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.
- Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.
- Hold conversation when engaged in back-and forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.
- Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions

Physical development

The children will be:

- Continuing to develop their fine motor skills through threading, squeezing, weaving, tracing, cutting, pouring.
- Developing their balance, strength and co-ordination through gymnastics sessions
- Developing their ball skills such as aiming, throwing and catching.
- Using large and small apparatus indoors and outside safely and confidently.
- Developing body-strength and co-ordination and refining fundamental movement skills such as jumping, balancing, and running.

Personal, social and emotional

- In our PHSE lessons we will be learning about how to build positive relationships with others and how we can work through problems and conflict by showing sensitivity to our own and others' needs.
- We will look at how to express our feelings and thoughts whilst also considering the feelings of others'
- We will encourage children to show perseverance and resilience in the face of challenge.

Reception (Starlings) Summer 2022

This term we will be exploring the topic '**From Field to Fork**'. We will get our hands dirty by doing some planting and think about where our food comes from.



How to support your child:

Try and read with your child at least **3 times a week**. Encourage them to talk about stories and make up their own stories.

We will be encouraging the children to be more confident with their writing this term, so please make sure they have access to paper and pens so that they can practice their writing.

Support them with using their phonics knowledge to help them write words. In maths we will be looking at numbers beyond 10. Talk about numbers, point out numbers in the environment such as house numbers.

Reminders:

Please send a named water bottle in every day and a sun hat. Sun cream should be applied before the children come to school.

Library books: are changed on Wednesday. Reading books and reading records need to be in school every day.

Please refer to newsletters and ParentMail for dates and events.

Specific areas of learning

Literacy

Literacy objectives will be covered through a variety of high-quality texts that will spark the pupils' interest. The texts will cover poetry, fiction and non-fiction. The children will demonstrate their understanding of books through book talk, the creation of story maps, storytelling through drama and role-play and in their writing. Children will be using their phonic knowledge to write simple phrases and sentences and to read books consistent with their phonic knowledge.

Mathematics

This term the children will be:

- Recognising, ordering and building numbers to 20
- Counting forwards and backwards beyond 10
- Selecting and rotating shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills
- Comparing quantities up to 10 and understand greater than, less than and the same.
- Begin to automatically recall number bonds up to 10, i.e. know that 7+3 makes 10

Understanding the world

We will be learning about where our food comes from by:

- Exploring the features of farms and fields, both in the past and in the present
- Planting seeds and caring for growing plants
- Developing an understanding of some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including seasonal change

Expressive arts and design

This term children will be:

- Taking part in weekly music lessons exploring duration in music
- Printing and pattern making
- Using clay to create fruit sculptures inspired by the work of Arcimboldo
- Playing cooperatively and introducing storylines in their play