

Summer Term in Year R

Communication and Language

Children will learn to understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. They will learn new vocabulary and use new vocabulary through the day, asking questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. They will describe events in some detail use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why they might happen.

There are plenty of engaging story times to allow children to listen to and talk about stories. We will listen carefully to rhymes and songs, and engage in non-fiction books.

Summer 1: It's a Bug's Life
Summer 2: Journeys

We are reading...

In class, we are reading The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Superworm, Journeys, Last and Found, Up and Down, as well as many non-fiction books about bugs.

Maths

This term we will continue to develop and secure our sense of numbers 0-10, and will look at counting to, and beyond 20.

We will play with adding more, and taking away, using quantities, as well as learn to group, share and double amounts.

We also develop our skills in describing and creating patterns, which will include looking at odd and even numbers.

Understanding The World

This term we will continue to make monthly observations of seasonal changes and changes in nature as well as daily observations of weather. Children will take part in a range of Forest School activities. We will be looking at growing foods and which are healthy and which are not. Children will be designing, making and tasting their own salad.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be singing songs and rhymes, listening & responding to music and exploring with musical instruments.

We will develop our own ideas by mark making and manipulating materials.

We will be learning about different styles of weaving that have developed through the years, from the Victorian times to modern day, and making our own bookmark.



Physical Development

The focus for lessons this term is games.

Through their continuous provision they will refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired and progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace.

They will develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future PE sessions, as well as develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently.

They will continue to develop their handwriting style.

Phonics and Reading

Children will continue to read weekly at school, and secure their phonics knowledge with opportunities to practice reading skills for different purposes.

They will continue to practice reading tricky words.

The 'We Love Reading' bag will continue to be shared within the class.

Writing

Children will continue to develop their writing style and be taught letter formation/handwriting, as well as word and caption writing.

They will be encouraged to write independently to support their interests.

Enrichment

As an enrichment activity, children will be celebrating the King's Coronation!

We will celebrate our Bug's Life topic with a dressing up activity party.

There will also be our annual Sport's Day!

Forest Schools

Each Friday children will take part in a variety of Forest School activities, including bug hunts and making art in, and with nature.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children in reception will be continually learning to see themselves as a valuable individual, build constructive and respectful relationships, express their feelings and consider the feelings of others, and show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. They will think about their own feelings those of others, and manage their own needs such as personal hygiene.

Children will know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing such as regular physical activity. They will also learn some mindfulness techniques.