

Nursery Summer 1

Our theme this half term is



Our big question this half term is
"What can we find in the garden?"



Understanding the world

As part of our topic this term will be finding out about gardens and what lives and grows in them. We will be looking at the different bugs we can find as well as the birds that visit gardens and lots of different types of plants and flowers that grow.

We will be planting seeds and watching them grow, talking about what they need and remembering to look after them.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be talking about the different feelings we have and think about how friends might be feeling too.

We will be finding ways of solving problems when things do not turn out the way I expect them to.

We will be growing our confidence when visiting new places and meeting new people.

We will continue to follow the routines and rules of the EYFS unit and know why they are important.

Relationships and Health Education

We will be exploring the themes of 'Looking after myself', 'Looking after others' and 'Looking after our environment'.

We will be making connections between things, using our existing knowledge as well as learning new knowledge and developing our communication and social skills.

Mathematics

We will be reciting numbers beyond 5, show finger numbers up to 5 as well as linking numerals and amounts. We will be counting forwards and backwards. In our White Rose Maths, we will be comparing collections, problem solving and exploring patterns.



Religious Education

Where do I belong? We will explore how we are all special, belong to different groups and celebrate special times.



Some of our focus Texts



Literacy

This half term we will be exploring texts linked to our topic of 'Glorious Gardens' as well as rhymes.

In our daily phonics sessions, we will continue exploring Phase 2, focusing on the introduction of letter sounds corresponding with their graphemes and beginning to develop oral blending and segmenting skills.

We will begin to learn how some lower case letters are formed and begin to match them to the corresponding letter sound.

We will continue to write some or all of the letters in our names.

Physical Development

We will be taking part in a range of physical activities to develop our jumping skills and ball skills using our feet. We will be jumping in different directions, at different speeds and different levels. We will be exploring what happens when we kick a ball using different parts of their feet and begin to understand how we control a ball. We will be developing our pencil grips and control as well as using our dominant hand when mark making.

Communication and Language

We will be listening and responding to a range of fiction and non-fiction books, as well as poems. We will use role play and storytelling to share our ideas and respond to questions. We will follow instructions with two or more parts. We will participate in 'back and forth' conversations.

Expressive arts and design

We will be exploring different materials, tools, and experimenting using different techniques. We will listen to music, enjoy dance and movement, and take part in drama activities.



Home Learning Menu



These projects can be worked on over the whole half term. Please send photos of your completed projects into school via Class Dojo as each week we will share and celebrate completed projects in class.

<p>Sing Incy Wincy Spider</p> <p>Can you sing Incy Wincy spider and join in with the actions? Can you sing to your family?</p> 	<p>Go on a bug hunt!</p> <p>Go into your garden or a park and see how many different minibeasts you can find. Where do you think they will be hiding?</p> 	<p>Make a minibeast!</p> <p>Can you make your very own minibeast? You could use junk modelling, salt dough or a construction kit like Lego. Which minibeast will you choose to make?</p> 
<p>Take care of a plant!</p> <p>If you have a plant in your garden or your home, can you look after it? What does your plant need? You will need to water your plant just the right amount, too much water or not enough water and your plant won't grow!</p> 	<p>Read a story!</p> <p>Can you find a storybook to share with one of your grown-ups all about a garden or plant or bug? Here are a few ideas below.</p> 	<p>Eat a garden!</p> <p>What fruits and vegetables can you grow in a garden? Next time you are at the supermarket take a look at fruits like apples, plums and strawberries. Can you make a fruit salad with them? Or take a look at the vegetables like carrots, cucumber and green beans. Can you make a yummy vegetable soup?</p> 