



Year R Summer 1



What we will be learning about: living things - plants and animals

Personal, social and emotional Relationships

Relate: My Happy Mind
How to develop good listening skills
The importance of listening to others and what we can learn when we do.
Know what being healthy means and some ways to keep my body healthy.

Fab finish: We will bring home a plant we have grown from seed

Communication, Language and Literacy

Books: Jasper's Beanstalk, The Tree, Little Red riding Hood.
Reading and writing sentences.
Use phonic knowledge to read and spell.
Read and write common words correctly.
Drawing club will continue.

Expressive Arts and Design

Explore rubbings, patterns, texture through printing and collage. Look at work by Matisse and Van Gogh.
Make models from junk modelling materials.
Investigate musical instruments and how they are played.
Learn about tempo and rhythm.

The big question: What does 'alive' mean?

Physical

Develop ball skills – throwing, catching, passing.
Begin to control size of letters and form all letters and numbers correctly.

Mathematical

Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0-10
Doubling
Halving
Sharing
Verbal counting beyond 20 recognising the pattern of the number system
Length – cms
Positional language
Time – O'clock, half past

Knowledge of the World

Find out about living things, plants, animals and habitats in our environment.
Take photos on iPads. Know how people care for the environment.

Philosophy for children

Concepts: My happy Mind
British values: Tolerance of faith and beliefs
Skills: Identifying 'big ideas'

How you can help

- Find out about different living things – animals and plants
- Find out about different fruit and vegetables
- Do some gardening at home even if it is only a window box!
- Continue to read lots of stories to your child and practice reading and phonics at home.
- Do some writing at home every day if possible

Reminders

- **PE** - Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit on **Wednesday** and **Fridays** (they will wear it all day so they do not need to bring in a change of clothes).
- Put sunscreen on at home in the morning
- Bring some sunscreen into school for your child to keep at school
- Bring a sunhat to school (named)

New Vocabulary

alive, grow, seed, plant, root, leaf, flower, petal, stem, compost, soil, forest, woods, path, map, tree, insect, habitat, environment