

Communication and Language

In Reception we love to talk! We will be:

- listening to stories, joining in with repeating parts of stories and retelling stories.
- listening to stories, non-fiction texts, rhymes and poems.
- asking and answering questions.
- using talk to work out problems, organise thinking and explain how things work and why they happen.
- Learn new vocabulary and use it in different contexts.
- Organise talk and sequence ideas together to express opinions about their interests.

Literacy

As a class we will be reading and sharing lots of lovely fiction stories, considering characters, settings, storylines and the way a story is sequenced. We will also be using non-fiction books and texts to learn new information, including learning about letters.

Word Reading: We will be learning to:

- continuing to learn new sounds in phonics including digraphs and trigraphs - ur ow oi ear air ure er
- re-capping previous learning, using and applying strategies through reading
- learning to read two-syllable words, pseudo words and CVC words
- read some new tricky words.

Word Writing:

- write CVC words, captions and short sentences, making phonetically plausible attempts

Drawing Club:

In Drawing Club we will be opening up adventure and imagination through drawing and writing using lots of different stories!

Expressive Art and Design

We will be inspired by the stories that we read and the world around us to:

- use our imagination in narrative when playing
- create new things using a variety of materials e.g. junk modelling, drawing materials, large scale construction materials etc

We will also focus on:

- creating collages and transient art through exploration of mixed media resources.
- Developing an understanding of collage.
- Creating landscape collages inspired by work by *Megan Coyle*.
- Working collaboratively to create a large group painting inspired by colours and patterns of fireworks

Musically we will:

- move our bodies to the **pulse** of the music and consider **volume** and **pitch**

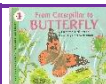
Homework

Regularly reading your child's Reading Book each week.
Practising the Tricky Words each week.
Library Books - a story to share for pleasure.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

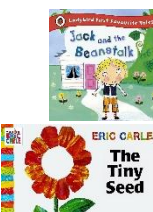
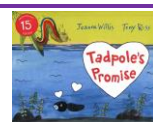
We love to play and work with others and we are learning how to look after ourselves too! We will be talking about

- taking turns with others.
- playing with others and sharing ideas.
- understanding our own feelings and having an awareness of others' feelings.
- how to be a good friend
- how to show perseverance and determination
- how to show courage, and encourage others



Reception Summer 1

Growing and Minibeasts Plants and Flowers Life-Cycles Mini-beasts



Physical Development

It is very important to use our muscles and keep ourselves healthy. We will be practising:

- climbing safely.
- running and negotiating spaces safely, with control.
- balancing on one leg and hopping
- throwing and catching a ball.
- jumping and rolling safely.
- holding a pencil and forming letters correctly.



Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- subitise more quickly and automatically
- describe well the patterns we see in number
- recall number facts about numbers to 10, including how these numbers are composed
- adding and taking away using a part=whole model
- doubling numbers and sharing number equally
- time - sequencing events in the day, describing time e.g. faster/slower, longer/shorter
- using positional language e.g. top, middle, underneath, bottom
- composing and decomposing shapes including 2D and 3D shapes



Understanding the World

We will be looking at and talking about:

- our environment, focusing on new Spring/Summer environmental changes (the flowers, appearance of buds, animals)
- what a plant needs to grow, including planting our own beans, observing how they grow overtime.
- the parts of a plant
- how to make healthy choices when eating.
- grown fruits and vegetables, as part of a healthy diet
- life cycles of some animals, including frogs and butterflies.
- different types of mini-beasts, where they like to live and how to make sure we care for these animals in our world.



Independent skills to develop at home

To become independent you need to practise

- zipping your coat.
- putting on and taking off your shoes/wellies
- fastening buttons.
- washing and drying hands.
- turning clothes the right side out.
- tidying up after yourself.
- putting lids back on pens.



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We will be learning about:

- Pentecost
- Special Times - including celebrations relevant to us such as birthdays
- Special Times for religions of the world including Holi and Vaisakhi

Please talk to your children about

- themselves and their feelings.
- other people and children (similarities, differences, feelings)
- who they like to play with.