

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

In PSED we will be thinking about things we are good at and things we would like to learn more about. We will also be practicing our turn taking and listening skills during circle time activities and games.

ICT

In ICT we will continue to put the skills we have learnt so far into practice using computer programmes to document our learning so far. We will also make use of the school cameras and use these to take our own photos of things we observe in springtime.



Communication & Language/ Literacy

This term our topic is 'Round and Round Whatever Next...?' where we will be looking at new life, growing and planting and lifecycles. We shall also be experiencing our very first school trip! More information to be given shortly ☺

In Literacy we will be finding out facts about all these things, writing cress diaries and instructions of how to plant seeds and what they need to grow.



'Round and Round Whatever Next...?'



Physical Development

We will be continuing our Monday PE session with Mr Angella where we will be learning lots of new skills. We will also be doing PE outside as the weather starts to get warmer, please make sure you have plimsolls in school.



Understanding the World

Our main focus this term will be planting, growing and lifecycles. We will be looking at what plants need to grow and be using this knowledge to plant and look after our 'Reception Garden' area. We will also be taking part in a spring walk, observing what we can see in spring time and how this is different from the other seasons.

Our school trip to Plumpton College Farm will also allow us to think about what we have learnt so far and see some of our learning in real life. ☺



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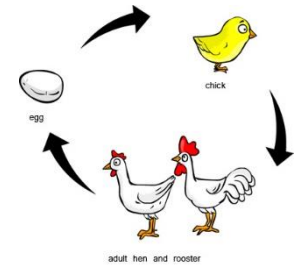
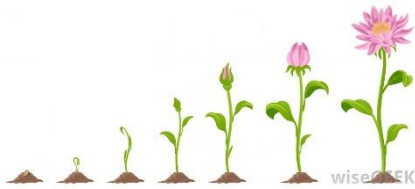
This term we will be looking closely at parts of flowers. We will be making our own flower collages using different materials, practicing our sketching skills and also designing our own gardens. We will also be looking at the season of 'Spring' and have already begun turning our 'Reading Garden' into a beautiful blossom tree!



Mathematics

This term we will be looking at the concept of time, by completing many fun 1 minute challenges. We shall also be looking at clocks and learning how to tell the time using o'clock. In our 'Garden Centre' role play we will also be exploring money and be looking closely at coins and how much items cost in the shop.





Term 4

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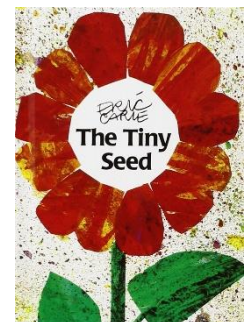
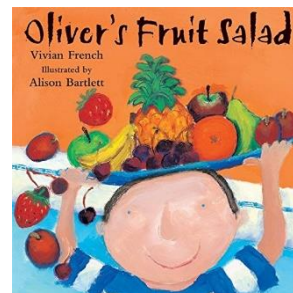
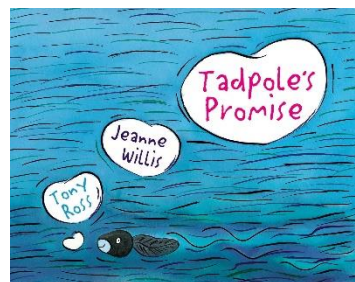
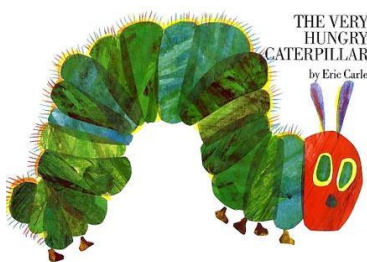
We hope you had a lovely half term break!

This term our topic is 'Round and Round Whatever Next..?' a topic all about New Life, planting, growing and lifecycles. We begin our topic by looking at ourselves and how we have grown from babies to now. We will be looking at our likes and dislikes and how these are often similar and different to our friends. We will then be exploring flowers and plants and what they need in order to grow. This will lead on to planting our own cress seeds and looking after our 'Reception Class Garden'.

We will also be learning about animals and their young, which will link into our special farm trip where we will get to see these animals up close! Look out for more information very soon! 😊

Thank you again for all your continued support and we hope this will be another exciting term for the children.

Key Texts this term:



Garden Donations

If you have any unwanted seeds, plants, gardening equipment or soil, we would be very grateful of any donations for our 'Reception Garden'. The children love to look after it, plant new things and it is a great learning tool for our topic!

Thank you ☺



PE

Our PE sessions this term will be on a Monday and Tuesday. As the weather is slowly becoming warmer we will be going outside for some of our PE. Please make sure that PE kits are in school every day and are *fully named*. Plimsolls will also be required for outdoor PE.



Reading

The children's reading is coming along really well with many children beginning to recognise words from sight. Now that the children are using their sounds to blend new words, it is important that they begin to discuss each book in detail and understand the characters and what is happening in the story. A big thank you for your support in reading at home with your child, it is making a huge difference.

Please make sure you are writing in your child's reading record diary when they have been read with and that the schools reading books are always in your child's reading folder. Unfortunately if the book is not present, then it cannot be changed for a new one.

Useful websites to help your child at home:

Lots of these we use in class so the children will be experts!

Phonics - www.phonicsplay.co.uk (Phase 3 games and sounds)

www.youtube.co.uk (Jolly Phonics Phase 3 song)

Literacy/Maths - www.topmarks.co.uk, www.ictgames.co.uk

Topic related - www.twinkl.co.uk (New Life/Spring Resources)

Thank you for all your support

The Reception Team ☺