



Summer 1 In the Garden



Personal Social and Emotional Development

Working and playing together, making up own group games. Listening to others and asking questions to develop talk skills. Encouraging independent learning and celebrating children 'having a go' at new challenges.

Communication and Language

Sharing and explaining ideas. Answering 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences. Retelling and developing their own narratives through role play and small world activities.

Physical Development

Gross motor skills- moving confidently in a range of ways changing speed and direction negotiating space. Throwing and catching a ball. **Fine motor skills** - forming all letters correctly and sitting them on the lines.

Literacy Reading stories and non-fiction books linked to the topic including 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' 'Little Red Hen' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' Consolidation of Phase 4 phonic sounds and tricky words and using this in our independent writing. Reading and writing 'High Five' sentences to re-tell familiar stories and write instructions.

Knowledge of the world Learning about plants, flowers, mini-beasts and life cycles. We will be doing lots of planting including growing our own sunflowers, beans, cress, herbs and grass. We will be selling our wares at the end of the half term! We will have some special visitors to look after and observe them closely.

Maths Odd and even numbers. Reinforcing number bonds to 5 and introducing number bonds to 10. Revisiting addition and subtraction. Doubling, halving and sharing. Using maths words to describe what we have learned.

Expressive Arts and Design

Exploring songs and instruments looking at pitch, tempo and dynamics. We will be creating collages based on our topic using a range of media.

Dates for the diary

21st and 23rd May - Stay and Play sessions
TBC - Allotment visit

Thank you for all the positive comments from families attending parent meetings last half term. We appreciate your support and welcome your feedback. Stay and play sessions will be taking place on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd May, to be fair to all we ask you to only choose one session and only one adult attends. Unfortunately, we are not able to accommodate younger siblings and babies due to limited space. We will be sending home information to support your child with maths this half term. Class fund is £6 this half term please.