

Reading

We will be continuing to consolidate learning our set 1 digraphs and begin to learn set 2 phonics sounds.

We will use our phonics knowledge independently to read simple sentences.

We will also explore story language in a range of texts linked to our topic of growing and changing.

We will read non-fiction books to help us understand more about our topic of growing and changing.

Understanding the world

This half term we will be learning how farming worked in the past; with the use of horses, carts and cows pulling ploughs. We will learn about present day use of machinery in farming. We will look at farming in our local area; what crops are grown where we live? Identify fruit and vegetables that can be grown locally, or within the local region. We will learn about growing and changing; how people change as they grow, how animals change as they grow. We will learn about life cycles of a butterfly and frog.

Physical Development

This half term we will be developing our ball skills through the topic of 'mini beasts'. We will develop ball skills such as rolling and receiving a ball, throwing to a target, bouncing and catching, dribbling with our feet and kicking a ball.

Writing

We will develop use of finger spaces, full stops and capital letters in sentences. We will be writing short sentences using growing knowledge of phonics to attempt unknown spellings. We will be writing descriptive sentences; children begin to write to describe an object e.g. The seed is tiny.

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on building and identifying numbers from 5 to 10 using a range of resources. We will also be looking at 3D shapes and identifying patterns.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term we will focus on how healthy diets to help us grow; what we need to eat, how we look after our bodies and keep ourselves clean.

Religious Education

This half term we will be learning about the Christian value of Compassion.

This half term we will be exploring the question: "How do different people celebrate their special times?" We will be learning that Easter is a special time for Christians and Vaisakhi is a special time for

Communication and language

This half term we will be understanding 'how' and 'why' questions and using them in a variety of contexts e.g. how do people change as they grow? We will be applying new vocabulary to explain changes noticed in plants, we will be discussing our plants, how we cared for them and what we noticed as they grow.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring what we can see in the world around us. Studying how Van Gogh used different marks to draw still life. Learning about the artist Lowry and drawing our own houses and "matchstick" people.

Visits or Visitors

We are hoping to have a visit to a local farm.

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