

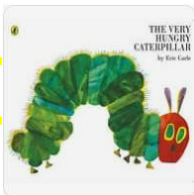
Summer Term 1 - Spring & On the Farm

As children begin their final term in Reception, they will continue to expand their knowledge and develop their skills within the broad topic of growing and farming. Within this cross curricular topic, they will learn about where our foods come from and what a healthy lifestyle looks like. They will be encouraged to closely observe the growth of plants in our outdoor area and explore the genre of sculpture to create a piece inspired by nature. Our literacy lessons will begin to become a little more structured in readiness for their next step into Year 1 and the children will join the rest of the school for morning break. Reading and writing skills will continue to be refined, with an increased focus on letter formation, finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. Within Maths we will explore numbers beyond 10 in our number system and continually revisit, for automatic recall, the composition of numbers within 10.



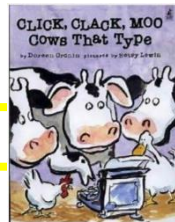
Understanding the world

As *explorers* the children will be continuing to observe the growth of our bulbs as spring continues, and hopefully we will begin to see some signs of our vegetable seeds growing. Within our topic on farming children will explore new life and lifecycles alongside healthy eating and where our food comes from. Within religious celebrations we will link back to Ramadan, which will come to an end with the celebration of Eid Al-Fitr.



Mathematics

As *mathematicians* the children will continue to grow their number knowledge, now beyond 10, looking at the number patterns. Their exploration of pattern will continue as they compose and decompose shapes to gain a deeper understanding of their structure.

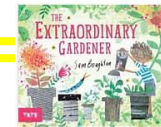


Expressive Art & Design

As *creators and musicians*, the children will be encouraged to focus on the rhythm and further explore the sounds of instruments, adding instrumental sounds to stories. With a focus on nature the children will explore sculpture and clay to create their very own masterpiece! Linking to last term's topic the children will also attend the theatre to see a ballet.

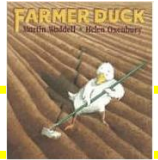
Literacy

As *readers and writers*, the children will continue their phonics journey in Reception, learning within their progress groups to write ever growing sentences with an increasing number of longer words. Within Literacy children will begin to experience a slightly more structured session with a variety of fun activities to explore each week.



Communication & Language

As *communicators* the children will be continuing to learn a vast array of new vocabulary through our 'Talk through Stories' linked to our topic of growing and farming. Alongside reviewing previously taught vocabulary, children will build up more linked to new stories shared. Additionally, within our topic the children will be encouraged to ask questions around things they would like to know more about. They will be introduced to complex vocabulary linked to lifecycles and will be encouraged to use this vocabulary when explaining their growing understanding of this.



Personal, Social & Emotional

As *friends and community members* the children will be further developing their independence as we enter their final term of Reception. They will be encouraged to take ownership of their choices and follow increasing complex routines. They will be encouraged to consider the feelings of others more frequently and think about healthy choices around hygiene, food and lifestyle.

Physical Development

As *movers and shakers*, the children will be developing their throwing and catching skills with a sequence of lessons focussing on ball control. This will develop children's hand-eye coordination alongside their teamwork and agility. Fine motor development will focus on correct letter formation this term, to perfect children's writing skills.