

Spring Term 2 2022

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

As always, the children will continue to listen to lots of stories, including The Enormous Turnip and The Growing Story. We will also talk about the information found in non-fiction books linked to our topics. The role play area will continue to provide a stimulus for language development and will include a 'people who help us' theme. The children will talk about what they might like to be when they grow up.

LITERACY

We will continue consolidating the children's knowledge of the Phase 2 and 3 phonemes and look at how to read longer words. The children read in a group and then take the book home. Our writing will also link to our topics and we will continue learning how to spell some of the common exception words such as 'the', 'to' etc.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

We will explore the season of Spring and focus on how things grow, including themselves. We will learn about some of the jobs that people do when they grow up and think about what they might like to do. The children will also learn about Holi and Easter and look at how these might be celebrated.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

This half term we will continue to focus on activities that include friendship and working together. We look at how we grow and change and the children will think about how they keep themselves healthy. This will include a focus on looking after their teeth.

What Shall I Be?
(Occupations, Growing, The Enormous Turnip, Spring, Keeping Healthy, Holi, Easter)

EXPLORING MEDIA & MATERIALS

The children will explore some of the flower paintings of Olga Boznańska (a Polish artist) and will make their own observational drawings and paintings of flowers. They will explore instrumental sounds and music and movement (using some ideas from Kapow). The children will also use clay to make their own flower pots and use chocolate to make Easter nests.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

We will finish our 'Squiggle While you Wiggle' programme and continue to work on fine motor activities. Correct letter formation will continue to be a focus. PE lessons are on Thursdays and the children will also swim/take part in PE every Tuesday. The children will continue to practise doing up their zips and buttons independently.

MATHS

This half term we will continue to use White Rose Maths and the Numberblocks, supported by the NCEMT resources. The children will develop their understanding of numbers to 10 through comparing them and learning how they are composed (6 plus 4 equals 10 etc.) The children will continue to learn about 2D/3D shapes and will explore pattern. We will also look at capacity and some aspects of time.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This half term the children will look at the topic 'Desert to Garden' from the Diocese planning. We will focus on Lent and what some people might do during this period. The children will talk about Lent promises. Then we will move into learning about Holy Week. The children will take part in The Stations of the Cross. We will also visit the church and talk to Father Tom.