

Our next theme is 'How does your garden grow?' based around growing.



In Personal, Social and Emotional Development we will be learning how to take turns when playing board games in a group.

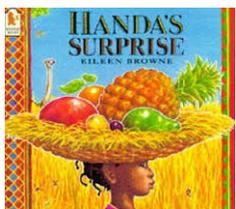
We will also be focusing on building the children's vocabulary for sharing and taking turns when in child initiated play by encouraging the children to work and play together.

Our focus in Physical Development this term will continue to strengthen our bodies ready for writing. We will be using big arm and shoulder movements, throwing balls and climbing.

We will continue to learn focus stories in Talk 4 Writing techniques throughout each term to enhance and develop our skills in Communication, Language and Literacy we will continue to learn and retell stories using books, actions and small world characters.

Our Focus stories are:

- Handa's Surprise
- The Enormous Turnip
- Jack and the Beanstalk



In Mathematics we will continue to explore number in a variety of ways using different resources. We will continue with careful touch counting, numeral recognition and numicon recognition.

We will begin to look carefully at different patterns and shapes, learning how to talk about these.

For Expressive Arts and Design we will be using different techniques to paint and create different types of fruit and vegetables.

We will even have a go at printing with real fruits and vegetables too!



In Understanding the World we will begin to look at where fruit and vegetables grow. We will also get the chance to taste the different fruits we read about in 'Handa's Surprise'.



During Jack and the Beanstalk, we might even try and grow our own beanstalk!

### Music is fun!

Mrs Dodgson welcomes you to join — Music is fun, our weekly singing session, held every Thursday 2pm!

These singing sessions will be informal and active, giving your child their chance to develop their social skills, communication and language skills and of course, music!

## How you can help at home

- ◆ Continue to read at home with your child and use our 'shared learning books' to record their response.
- ◆ Encourage your child to use their mark making pack and show us any work you may have done at home. This can be put into our 'shared learning books'.
- ◆ Encourage your child to be more independent when putting on their coat/shoes.
- ◆ Count the different things you can see around you.. cars, trees, steps, teddies etc.
- Encourage your child to do lots of drawing and tell you about their picture.
- Show your child what their name looks like. Can they recognise their own name?



Please ensure that every day your child brings the following items to school:

- ◆ Home/School Liaison Book
- ◆ Shared Learning Book
- ◆ Coat, plus hat and gloves in cold weather. We go outside every day!
- ◆ A named water bottle.
- ◆ Spare clothes if your child is likely to have an accident in school.



Please inform us if someone different will be collecting your child from school.

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Please read the information board in our entrance, as it will keep you up to date with what is happening and outline some of the things your child is learning. Let us know if there is any other information that you would find useful and we will do our best to provide it.

Please place your child's Home/School Liaison book in the blue trays provided in the classroom every morning. Please also check the book regularly for any comments or information that we may have added.

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## Nursery

## Curriculum Newsletter

### Theme 3

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