

PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development)

The children are now all able to come into school independently. During the coming terms we are encouraging them to work as part of a group and to develop their confidence as independent learners. We are teaching them to be resourceful - getting the right equipment to do the job. And being resilient, sticking at a task even though they may find that it is tricky.



Communication, Language and Literacy

Children will be encouraged to use their emerging writing skills to respond to stories and the minibeasts we will be learning about.

Children will engage with individual reading. The focus this term will be on the difference between fiction and non-fiction texts.

Your support with reading at home on a regular basis is really making a difference to your children. If you don't already, please make this a part of your daily routine.



Understanding the World

During this term the children are going to be learning about the world around them. Our topic will have two main strands; observing mini-beasts and watching the development of eggs into caterpillars, pupas and emerging as butterflies. The children will also have the opportunity to plant, observe and monitor the growth of beanstalks relating to the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and learn what plants need in order to thrive



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Home Learning

It is important that the children read for a short time everyday. Key words are sent home for the children to learn to practise reading and spelling. On Fridays the children may have additional homework to revisit the work we have been doing during the week.

Don't forget to hand your child's reading record, book and keywords to your child's teacher in the morning if you would like them changed.

Attendance

We start our teaching as soon as the children come through the door. Please ensure your child is at school on time, otherwise they miss the main teaching input of the morning.

General Information

PE Kit: Your child will need their PE kit every week.

IMPORTANT DATES

Stay and Play – Wednesday 1st May
Trip to Blackberry Farm – Wednesday 19th June

Expressive Arts and Design

The children continue to follow our music programme, learning about rhythms and beat. The children will be given the opportunity to respond to a variety of different music and to learn new songs relating to our topic.



Maths

We will continue to develop the children's recognition of number and counting skills, linked to our mini-beast topic. Children will develop their knowledge of addition and subtraction, increasing their understanding of mathematical language. Children will continue to develop their understanding of 3D shapes and their properties through practical activities. We will also be learning about time and money.



Physical Development

(Please note that pupils are not permitted to wear earrings for PE lessons. If your child is unable to remove these by themselves, please ensure that they are not worn to school on PE Days.)

If the weather is good, the children will have the opportunity to have their PE sessions on the field. Please check that their PE kits and plimsolls still fit.

We will be focusing on throwing and catching skills.

