

Information for Parents and Carers

Class 1: Summer Term 1

The Garden

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- * Litter/ recycling education.
- * Learning about conservation.
- * Caring for our environment.
- * SEAL - Relationships.



Communication, Language and Literacy

- * Retelling stories in the correct order.
- * Write stories with a beginning, middle and end.
- * Non-fiction – writing recounts, sequencing events in the correct order, instructions, making minibeast fact booklets.



Mathematics

- * Addition and subtraction activities.
- * Capacity – using the correct vocabulary to describe how full or empty containers are
- * Time - days of the week and o'clock/ half past.
- * Money.
- * Comparing weight.



Physical Development

- * Outdoor – Multiskills (Friday).
- * Forest Fun – Forest Schools- minibeast hunts, making minibeast homes, natural collages, weaving with natural materials. (Monday).
- * Outdoor learning- gardening, planting from seed, growing flowers and vegetables.



Understanding the World

- * Looking at mini-beasts and birds in our garden.
- * Planting seeds and plants.
- * Growing our own vegetables and flowers.
- * Finding out about life cycles of a butterfly and frog.



Expressive Arts and Design

- * Role play in The Garden Centre (outdoors) and Minibeast Investigation Lab (indoors).
- * Craft activities- 3D minibeasts, minibeast puppets.
- * Collage pictures of flowers and gardens.
- * Learning about high, middle and low sounds.



Ways in which you can help at home

- * Try to hear your child read daily and learn High Frequency Words (be able to read & **spell** them).
- * Asking your child what day of the week it is.
- * Identify different minibeasts when outside.
- * Record any significant observations of your child's progress (take a photo or scribe what your child has said e.g. ("That spider has got eight legs look! ")

We need

- * All children need an outdoor PE kit and wellies and a raincoat for outdoor play.
- * Seed packets for our Garden Centre role play.
- * Old silk or plastic flowers /plants for our Garden Centre.
- * Goggles for our Minibeast Investigation Lab.
- * Small lab coats (could be old shirts)