

Mathematics

In our role play Garden Centre we use money to count out as we pay for our goods. We can use numerals to make prices for our produce and on the till and telephone. We will solve problems in our Garden Centre by responding to 'what can we try next? We will be able to order items by length and height and use language related to money and time. It will also be good to begin to learn about symmetry when we look at butterfly wings.

Literacy

Texts this term include Oliver's Vegetables, the Very Hungry Caterpillar, Titch and non-fiction books on growing and the life cycle of butterflies. We will find out information about plants and butterflies from others, from books and the Internet. We will use our writing to write labels and orders in our garden centre and make seed packets. We can write shopping lists to buy items from the shop.

Communication and Language

We will use our topic on growing and changing to support our listening, understanding and speaking skills. We will listen to and be able to recall stories and rhymes. We will understand and respond to simple directions and begin to listen to and respond to ideas from other children. In our letters and sounds we will be able to show awareness of alliteration words and some of us will be able to hear and say initial sounds in words. We will continue to use a variety of questions and be able to give simple explanations. We will increase our vocabulary and be able to use words connected to our topic.

Creative Development

Our role play will be a Garden Centre where we can buy flowers and garden items also fruit and vegetables. We will have a little potting area where we can pretend to pot up flowers. There will also be a smoothie bar where we can have a smoothie of our choice after our busy day at the garden centre. We will use paint to create butterflies and flowers, create models of caterpillars using construction and boxes. We will make up our own dances growing from seeds to plants and trees, and caterpillars to butterflies. In music we will learn new songs and discover how to make our voices and instruments go high and low.

Physical Development

This term we will be learning about which foods make us healthy and grow. We will use the outside environment to use tools to dig and plant. We will use our parachute to work together as a team. We will explore large balls, hoops and beanbags to catch and throw. We will continue with our writing skills and hold and use a pencil with increasing accuracy

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Acorn class will welcome some new starters in the afternoon. We will learn how to show care and concern for living things with plants and butterflies. In our circle times we will be exploring and understanding and managing our feelings and relationships with others.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We will use our topic on growing and changing to find out about the world around us. Regina Flowerton will bring us some money and we are going to see if we can make some more to buy things for our garden. We will prepare and plant seeds and vegetables in our garden and find out what they need to make them grow. We will use fruit and vegetables in our cooking and learn about healthy foods to help us grow. In Nursery we will watch tiny caterpillars eat and grow and change into beautiful butterflies before we let them go into our garden. We will grow our own sunflowers which we hope you will continue at home and take pictures of them as they grow.

