

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will continue to take part in weekly circle times following the Jigsaw scheme.

The theme this term is 'Relationships'.

Children will be exploring friendship, family structure, kindness, resolving conflict, and understanding positive vs. unhealthy behaviours.

## Physical Development

Children will continue to use a range of small tools to help develop their fine motor skills. We will practise using scissors to cut with more than one directional change, including cutting circles.

The focus of the coached P.E sessions this term is 'Ball Skills including throwing, catching, kicking, running and jumping.

Our Friday PE session will follow the 'Bikeability Balance' training program.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Children will begin learning to draw with 'care and attention'. We will be closely observing flowers and wildlife in order to accurately draw them. Children will also get the opportunity to create pictures of flowers using a variety of media.

Through music sessions children will have the opportunity to explore keeping a steady beat using percussion instruments and investigating how different instruments make their sounds.

## Literacy

### Reading

Children will continue to read in class as part of a small group. They will discuss key events and answer questions about the text. We will continue teaching daily phonics through 'Unlocking Letters and Sounds'. This term we will be working on adjacent consonants and learning the Phase 4 Common Exception words.

### Writing

Children will practise accurate sentence writing, using finger spaces and digraphs (where two letters make one sound). Children will write sentences using a who/what and where. We will continue daily letter formation practice.

## Communication and Language

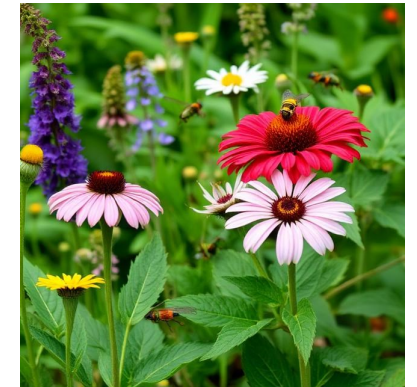
Children will continue to practise good conversation skills by listening to others, asking questions and expressing their own ideas. Using pictures, children will understand language structure by composing oral sentences with a who/what/where and when.

Children will continue to learn new vocabulary through the teaching of NELL.

This term we are focussing on the vocabulary of 'plants and growing'.

## Plants and Growing

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## Maths



Children will practice their oral counting to 50 and object counting to 15. We will be learning to recognise teen numbers. We will also be consolidating our addition and subtraction, number bond and subitising to 5 skills. Children will be using cubes to measure height, length and weight.

## Understanding the World

Children will be naming common plants and their parts. We will be exploring how plants grow and looking at the life cycles of plants, frogs and insects. Children will have the chance to use their senses to explore the plants and animals in our outdoor learning environment. We will also be looking at the seasonal changes that happen during Spring.