



St. Andrew's CofE Primary Academy Curriculum Map

Term: Summer 1

Class: Reception - Hedgehogs

Teacher: Mrs Gilfillan and Mr Band



Physical Development:

In PE, on Mondays, through dance activities, they will explore different ways of moving their bodies in response to music, including jumping, stretching, turning, balancing and travelling. They will begin to link movements together and respond to rhythm, tempo and mood.

On Thursdays, the children will practise key skills such as throwing, catching, kicking and rolling. They develop coordination, control and spatial awareness while working in pairs or groups.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development:

This term our focus is the Jigsaw unit 'Relationships'. Throughout this unit, children will learn about the different people who are important in their lives and understand how to form positive, caring relationships. They will explore how to share, take turns and work cooperatively with others, as well as recognise and name different feelings in themselves and others. The children will also begin to understand how their actions can affect other people and learn simple strategies for being kind, listening well and resolving small conflicts.

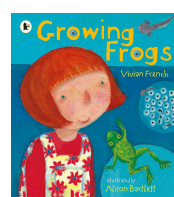
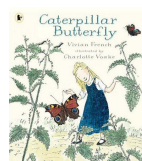
Communication & Language:

We focus on vocabulary connected to growing and change across plants, minibests and animals. They will learn and use key scientific language such as seed, grow, change, life cycle, caterpillar, butterfly, egg and hatch, developing their ability to describe and talk about different stages of development. Children will explore how living things change over time and begin to make simple comparisons between different life cycles.

Key Texts:

- The Extraordinary Gardener
- Caterpillar Butterfly
- Tad
- The Egg Book
- The Bug Collector

Growing & Changing



Literacy Development:

The children continue to consolidate their knowledge of Set 2 phonics sounds, with those who are secure moving on to new sounds. They will continue to develop fluency in reading, accessing books matched to their current phonics level based on assessments from last term, with a focus on building accuracy and confidence.

In writing, children will continue to develop their handwriting skills, with a particular focus on forming letters correctly with accurate orientation and consistency. More structured handwriting sessions will support children in developing fluent, automatic letter formation. Writing opportunities will increasingly draw on phonetic knowledge, enabling children to write for a range of purposes linked to key texts.

Mathematics:

The children continue developing a secure understanding of number through rich, practical exploration. They build fluency in recognising, representing and manipulating numbers using objects, fingers and structured arrangements such as ten-frames and number tracks. A key focus is understanding composition, particularly seeing numbers within 10 as made of 5 and a bit, and beginning to confidently recall number bonds to 5 and 10. Children also strengthen their ability to subitise small quantities and use counting skills both forwards and backwards with increasing accuracy and confidence.

Understanding the World:

As part of our topic "Growing and Changing" the children will explore how living things develop and change over time. They will learn about the life cycles of plants, minibests, and animals, observing how seeds grow into plants, caterpillars change into butterflies, and other animals develop through different stages. Through stories, pictures, hands-on experiences, and discussion, children will begin to understand that all living things grow and change in different ways.

Expressive Arts & Design:

The children explore creativity through art activities linked to growing and change, including drawing, painting, collage and clay. They create artwork inspired by minibests and plants, carefully observing details such as shape, colour and texture.

The children learn songs and poems linked to plants, minibests and the natural world. Alongside this, the roleplay area allows children to explore growing themes through imaginative play.