

Yr R: Growing



Communication, language and literacy

We will be looking at stories such as Jack and the Beanstalk, The Gigantic Pumpkin and The Enormous Turnip. We will be looking at information texts about growing and how things change. We will be sequencing and retelling stories and events. We will be making our own books on growing and developing our own story telling skills. We will be making labels, writing care instructions and discussing what we notice about our growing beans.

Phonics

We will be learning a new letter sound twice a week each and applying our new knowledge through activities both adult led and child led. We will then be consolidating all of our phonic knowledge and learning to use it appropriately. We will be learning to use our phonics knowledge to write words and sentences as well as decode words in our reading. We will be learning to recognise and use our key words in both our reading and writing.



Helpful Hints:

- Read with your child daily
- Keep going over the phonics sheets and sounding words out
- Count everyday objects and talk about where you can find numbers and shapes
- Upload as many photos as you can to Tapestry so your child can share them in class

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Through play and circle time, we will be learning to:

- Listen and value other people's opinions and ideas
- Work as a group
- Understand how we change as we grow
- Share our own ideas, feelings and opinions.

Religious Education

We will be learning about how and why people gather. We will learning to understand the joy of people gathering to celebrate Mass. We will recognise growth in nature and discover the ways in which things grow in Spring. We will know and understand that Lent is a time to grow in love and prepare for Easter.

Maths

We will be learning to:

- Recognise and order numbers up to 20 and beyond
- Add and subtract using objects, number lines and open number lines
- Read and write number sentences
- Solve problems using our understanding of number
- Double and halve groups of objects and numbers
- Counting in different steps e.g. in 2s, 5s, 10s and starting from different numbers
- To recognise, name and say some properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- Use descriptive mathematical language
- Measure heights, weights and sizes using non standard and standard measurements

Physical Development

PE this term will be on **Tuesday and Friday**.

We will be continuing to;

- Change into our PE kits independently
- Explore different ways to travel using different body parts and equipment

We will be learning;

- Different ways to throw such as overarm, underarm, to your partner
- How to throw safely small equipment such as balls, beanbags
- To use balance, coordination and agility in a variety of game situations
- Exploring movement and developing ideas using dance actions
- Make a repeating dance
- Respond to different stimulus through dance

We will also be continuing to develop our fine motor skills by using different types of equipment such as tweezers, paintbrushes, markers, pencils and chalk.

We have access to the outdoor area every day to develop fine and gross motor skills.

Understanding the World

We will learn about what plants and animals need to live and how to grow beans. We will be discussing healthy eating and how to be healthy. We will be discussing things from now and things from the past and how they have changed. We will be discussing decay and how things change when they decay. We will be talking about the features of our environments and communities. We will be recapping e-safety as well as independently accessing programs on the Interactive Whiteboard and other technology.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be looking at landscape paintings and in particular the artist Monet. We will be doing some observational drawings. We will be making our own natural art from things we find on a nature walk. We will be learning growing poems and will be performing them in class. We will be making our own puppets and props to help us retell stories. We have free access to Junk Modelling and Art supplies to help us make our own creations. We will be recording our creations in Our Construction Book. We will be singing, dancing, learning new songs, exploring instruments and making instruments of our own.