

# Summer Term

## How does your Garden grow?



Early Years Foundation Stage  
(EYFS)  
Nursery

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## Literacy



### Writing:

The children have been practicing writing their names and we will continue with this as a focus. They will also learn to sound, recognise and form a new letter sound every week. The children will be encouraged to use some of their print and letter knowledge when writing a list for example e.g. 's' for strawberry.

### Phonics:

The children will be continuing their phonics lessons, listening out for rhyming words and initial sounds and suggesting some of their own. From this term, they will also be introduced a letter sound every week, starting with s, a, t, p, i, n, and they will practice orally blend words such as c-a-t.



## Maths

This half term, we will continue to practise our counting skills, ensuring that we touch objects as we count and say one number at a time. As we explore our topic, we will use the theme of growing to explore size and length, as well as sequencing real life events. We will also use objects, shapes and colours to explore and make simple repeating patterns.

## Communication and Language



The children have been working hard to improve their ability to speak in sentences. We will continue to develop their vocabulary through real life experiences, when playing and observing the world around them and through stories. The children will practice answering questions, like 'Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?'

### Understanding of the world



This half term, the children will learn about how seeds grow and how creatures make many transitions in the process of becoming an adult. They will learn more about how to care for living things, and the things plants and animals need to help them grow. They will also learn lots of new vocabulary as they discover more about their outside world.

### Expressive Art and Design



Now that the children have explored lots of different materials and methods of joining them, we will be encouraging them to develop their own ideas and setting up a creation station in the classroom. We will continue to encourage them to engage in role play and use small world toys to build more complex stories.



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

During this topic, the children will learn the importance of caring for other living things. We will also continue to care for one another and look after our friends as part of a class community. We hope that the children will also start to follow the rules more independently, when an adult is not present and learnt to make good choices in relation to healthy eating.

### Physical Development



This term, the children will continue to develop their gross motor skills, climbing over, under and through obstacles. They will also have access to a wide range of smaller equipment such as bats, balls, beanbags and hoops that they can use to make up their own games. The children will explore drawing and making marks for a variety of purposes, and they will be encouraged to

use a pen or pencil to form familiar letters.

### Reading



Your child will continue to be given a library book to take home and share with their family. We advocate reading to your child as much as possible, before bed time every day. Story time is an important part of our day at Nursery, as the more books we share and enjoy with children, the more their vocabulary and imaginations will grow.

### Weduc - Leverton App

Please make sure you have downloaded the Leverton App from the app store on your mobile phone to receive messages, dates and key information that the school publishes. You will be able to access our school newsletter each week so that you can keep up to date with everything happening in school. If you need any help please let us know.

### J2E



J2E is an app that we use to post photos of the children's learning and important messages and activities for the children to complete at home.

Please make sure you can access your child's J2E account using their log in. If you have any problems with this, again please speak to a member of staff.

### Dates



Please check the weekly newsletter for up-coming dates and key information about Leverton School life.