



Reception



How does your garden grow?

Curriculum Information Summer 2016

As a Rights Respecting School we are learning about the rights and lives of children all over the world and through our curriculum we will, explore the Year Reception Big Question, 'How does your garden grow?' This term we will continue our focus on active citizenship, celebrating significant anniversaries, sporting and community events. The highlights will include our whole school project commemorating the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death. We will welcome our very own Shakespeare in residence, who will support our focus on the development of oracy and performance throughout the curriculum.

Understanding of the World  As part of our topic 'How does your garden grow?' we will be observing and talking about growing. We will go on a nature walk around the school to look closely at what is growing, and talk to Jo the Gardener about how things grow and how we can look after them. We will also visit the local garden centre to learn more about plants.

Literacy  This half term we will be using information texts to find out how to grow and look after plants. We will create our own information texts, writing a diary about growing. Our key text this term will be Where the Wild Things Are. We will use our phonic skills to write our own wild adventures.

Maths  We will be talking about and using money to buy plants from our garden centre. We will also order and match numerals to quantities to 20 by sorting seeds and bulbs for our garden centre. We will be measuring each other and the plants that are growing in our garden. We will continue to exploring halving and sharing with fruit and vegetables and will record our favourites.

Physical Development  This half term we will continue to explore different ways to move. In PE we will explore different sports and a range of exercises to keep us fit and healthy and talk about the affects the exercise has had on our body. We will talk about and try different healthy fruit and vegetables.



Expressive Arts and Design



As part of our topic, 'How does your garden grow?' we will be using natural materials to create our own pieces of art. We will use a range of materials to create observational pictures of plants and flowers. We will act out our own wild adventures through role play.

Communication and Language



To help us answer our big question 'How does your garden grow?', we will listen carefully to experts, like Jo the Gardener, ask appropriate questions. We will describe what we have seen in the natural environment and talk about what we have learnt.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term we will be thinking about how our actions can change how other people feel. We will be start to resolve disagreements independently. We will learn about how to look after the natural environment, and take responsibility for looking after our classroom and the new plants we have.