

**Foundation Stage
January and
February 2018**

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:
We will be focusing on turn taking and compromising with others. We will be developing our own role play building site and learn to take on other children's ideas whilst sharing our own ideas.

Communication and language
During this topic we will be learning to follow a story with pictures or prompts. We will be exploring and retelling different stories including 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will also be developing our spoken language by creating and role-playing our own stories.

Physical Development
We will be developing our handwriting and using correct letter formation in our writing. We will be strengthening our hand and finger muscles using different fine muscle activities. In PE we will be practising our hand eye co-ordination whilst throwing, catching and kicking.



Get Building.

Expressive Arts and Design
We will be using a variety of shapes and construction materials to design and build structures and bridges. We will be using other media such as paint and collage within this topic to represent special buildings in the world.

Understanding the world
During this topic we will be discussing why things happen and how things work. This will deepen our understanding of our real world around us. We will be putting this learning into practise when building our own bridges and testing to see which is the strongest design and why.



Mathematics
Within our maths learning we will be using our knowledge of numbers to 20 to solve problems. We will be focusing on using addition and subtraction. We will also be becoming confident in saying 1 more / 1 less than a given number.

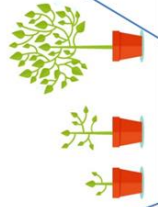
Literacy
Throughout this term we will be using our sounds to read simple words and sentences. We will be applying our phonic knowledge to write for different purposes, including writing lists and labels.

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Physical, Social and Emotional Development
In PSED children will develop their ability to talk about themselves and their strengths. They will gain confidence when talking about their own interests and opinions.

Communication and language
During this topic we will be listening to others attentively in a range of situations and learning to respond appropriately making relevant comments and questions.

Physical Development
In our PE lessons we will be learning how to co ordinate with others to throw, catch, roll and kick objects. We will be applying our previous learning of using space appropriately to ensure that our motions are accurate. We will also be looking at ways that we can stay healthy and investigating how foods are grown and why self care routines are essential.



Growing up together.

Expressive Arts and Design
During this topic the children will be producing some beautiful artwork using colour for purpose. We will explore how colour can be changed and use lines and shapes to represent objects when producing art work. We will learn to express our own ideas through different medias, music and role play.

Understanding the world
Throughout this term we will be observing plants, animals and natural found objects. We will be developing an understanding of growth, decay and change. During discussion time, we will be developing our awareness and concern for the environment and living things.



Mathematics
During our growing topic, we will be ordering objects and comparing size using non-standard units to measure height. We will also be learning to problem solve with groups of objects by practically counting accurately.



Literacy
We will be using our taught sounds and letters to help us to become confident when writing for a purpose. Some examples of writing will include labels and captions.

You can help your child with their learning in the following ways:

- Talk to your child about the world around them. What can they see? What does it mean?
- Go for a walk – what can you see in the woods or on the beach? Can you tell the difference between living and non-living things?
- Read every day and encourage your child to identify sounds and read familiar words.
- Show your child that numbers and shapes are everywhere. Encourage everyday counting and problem solving.

Term dates:

8 January – 29 March
(Half Term 12 – 16
February)

*The Summer Term will begin
on 16 April.*

**Special events this term will
include will include:**

- World Book Day
- School Health Day
- Change for Change Day
- Open Learning sessions

Websites to help your child with their learning:

Reading - Bug Club:

- <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

Maths:

- <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Reading:

- <http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/Phase2Menu.htm>

Fun learning:

- <http://www.crickweb.co.uk/Early-Years.html>



**LEARNING CHALLENGE INFORMATION
FOUNDATION STAGE
SPRING TERM 2018**



GET BUILDING

- What makes a building strong?
- Do you know any famous buildings in the world?
- What materials would you use to build a house?
- What shapes make a bridge strong?
- How can you test your construction?
- What different buildings have you visited?
- How do vehicles help us to build?

GROWING UP TOGETHER



- What do you need to grow?
- How can we stay healthy?
- How does your body change as you grow up?
- Do plants, animals and humans all need the same thing to grow?
- Do you know the parts of a plant?
- Can you grow a bean without soil?
- How can we look after our environment?