

Prime Area: Personal, Social and Emotional development (PSED)

Children will focus on building relationships with family and friends and developing body awareness.

Children will join in with discussions about managing basic hygiene and personal needs, such as teeth brushing and hand washing.

Children will discuss living healthy lifestyles and begin to learn where food comes from.

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Children will learn about Pentecost and the Power of the Holy Spirit.

Children will explore the theme 'To the Ends of the Earth' and discuss our 'Option for the poor and vulnerable' as Catholics.

We will focus on the Jesuit virtues of being grateful and learn about being eloquent and truthful.

Specific Area: Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)

Children will observe minibeasts during outdoor hunts and draw from observation, focusing closely on their shapes.

Children will help in designing and making a bug hotel in the outdoor area. Children will explore 3D modelling by designing, making, and painting clay minibeasts.

Children will continue with weekly singing and music lessons.

Prime Area: Communication and Language (CL)

Children will learn and use new vocabulary within continuous provision linked to our Minibeasts topic.

Children will use talk to develop their ideas and narratives during adult led and child led activities.

Children will partake in weekly C&L lessons.

Summer 1: Theme...

Minibeasts

Reception

Specific Area: Understanding the World (UW)

Children will learn about life cycles, specifically focusing on caterpillars/butterflies and the life cycle of a plant and what it needs to survive.

Children will use all their senses through the exploration of the natural environment, describing what they see, hear, and feel during minibeast and scavenger hunts.

Children will begin to understand the effect our behaviour has on the environment and name things we can do to care for the natural environment and living things.

Children will understand the effect of seasons on the natural world.

Prime Area: Physical Development (PD)

Children will be involved in weekly PE lessons.

Children will continue to build independence in dressing/undressing and managing their personal care routine.

Children will take part in weekly handwriting sessions (M Harvey scheme) and Fab 5 fine motor activities.

Children will take part in physical activities linked to outdoor learning and indoor physical activities e.g. Go noodle, dough disco.

Specific Area: Literacy

Children will explore books linked to the topic – Minibeasts: The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Superworm, The Bug Collector.

Children will write for different purposes, focusing on the genres, simple sentences, and retelling stories.

Children will continue to learn new to segment, blend and read new words and tricky words as we move onto Summer 1 of our Little Wandle phonic scheme.

Specific Area: Mathematics

Children will explore numbers 17 to 20 through our 'number of the week'.

Children will learn about number bonds to 5 and 10.

Children will practice counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s.

Children will be introduced to exploring coins, as well as the concepts of doubling and halving.