

Communication and Language

- Develop new vocabulary related to topics and different animals
- Use a wider range of vocabulary in talk
- Enjoy listening to a range of longer stories, remember what happens and talk about them
- Understand why questions
- Continue to develop our knowledge of rhymes and songs
- Use print and letter knowledge in early writing
- Write some letters accurately

Weekly focus

1. Caterpillars and Butterflies
2. Minibeasts
3. Pets
4. Jungle
5. Farm
6. Cold weather animals

Understanding the World

- Talk about our world and seasonal changes in the environment
- Care for growing plants
- Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal
- Understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.
- Use all our senses in hands on exploration of natural resources outside
- soil, sand, grass etc

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

- Engage in conversations based around our school value - Trust
- Play with one or more other children, extending play ideas and finding solutions to conflicts
- Begin to be increasingly independent with self care skills
- Talk with others to solve conflicts
- Understand how others might be feeling
- Find solutions to rivalries

Hedgehogs Amazing Animals

Term 5

Exploration and Design

- Begin to develop more complex pretend play based on what we've learnt through small world and role play
- Join different materials and explore different textures eg. painting bread to make a yucky sandwich
- Draw with increasing detail and complexity
- Play instruments with increasing control
- Begin to remember and sing whole songs

Physical Development

- Balancing skills
- Ball skills including catching, throwing and bouncing.
- Travelling with a ball - dribbling, stopping with a foot, running and changing direction.
- Football skills - kicking to a target and into a net.
- Gymnastics

Topic activities this term....

- Watching our caterpillars grow and transform into butterflies
- Looking after our garden and watching our vegetable patch grow.
- Exploring living things in our garden on bug hunts.
- Growing sunflowers

Maths

This term in maths we will cover -

- Sequencing events
- Positional language
- More than/fewer than
- 2D and 3D shapes
- Patterns
- 1 more/1 less
- Consolidating counting 1-5