



# Nursery - Summer Term 1

Welcome back after the Easter break! A warm welcome to our new friends joining us this term, we look forward to getting to know you. This term we are focussing our learning on the stories of Rosie's Walk and Jasper's Beanstalk. We will be looking at the new things that come out and grow in the Springtime and how we need to look after them!

## Literacy



Our main text for this half term is 'Rosie's Walk'. A text with simple words but many avenues to explore. Rosie needs to keep her eye out for the sneaky fox! We will be creating story maps to retell the story and using different preposition words. As the warmer weather arrives, we will start some planting with the help of Jasper!



## Understanding of the World

This term we will be planting some seeds and caring for the growing plants. We will be looking at life cycles and matching animals and their young.



Farmer Joy will be visiting with her own special guest!

## Communication and Language



We will continue to learn a variety of new songs; "I like the flowers, I like the daffodils" is one of my favourites! We will discuss routes and locations using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'. We will learn to label the simple parts of a flower.



## Maths

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As our plants begin to grow, we will measure and compare them, using different standard and non-standardised units of measurement.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development



This half term, our learning will focus on caring for animals and plants, helping children to develop a sense of responsibility and empathy for living things.

We will be following the Coram Scarf scheme 'Growing and changing in nature'



## Physical Development

We will be making the most of the warmer weather by developing our physical skills through a range of outdoor activities. Gross motor skills include jumping, climbing, balancing. Fine motor skills include planting seeds, digging and using watering cans.



## Expressive Arts and Design

Children will be encouraged to build complex 'small worlds' with blocks and small world animals and props.

## Things you can do at home to help this half term

- Share some planting experiences at home, talking about what a plant needs to help it grow.
- Point out the signs of spring as you walk along; new buds/leaves on trees, lambs in the fields, flowers growing.
- Look at non-fiction books showing minibeasts, flowers or farmyard animals.
- Play number games where children can recognise the numbers on the dice without counting.
- Point out what you see in the environment to build their number sense. E.g
- "Look there's two" (dandelions on the grass together)

If you have any questions, we are always available at the door at drop off/collection times, or if you prefer you can email me on [Claire.collin@ashlands.mlt.co.uk](mailto:Claire.collin@ashlands.mlt.co.uk)

Thank-you for your continued support.

Mrs Collin and the Nursery Team