

Kidbrooke Park Primary School

Kite Class Curriculum Overview

Spring 2 Term – Animals, Growing Things and Weather

Welcome to Spring 2!

As we move into **Spring 2**, Kite Class will be exploring the exciting themes of **Animals, Growing Things and Weather**. This term is all about hands-on learning, sensory exploration and discovering the world around us as it begins to change with the season.

All activities are carefully planned to support pupils' Communication, Cognition, Sensory Regulation, SEMH and Independence, with learning differentiated to meet each child at their developmental stage

Topics

Growing things

Children will take part in a simple growing project where they will **plant seeds** (such as cress, beans or sunflowers), **water them regularly**, and **observe changes over time**. These activities help pupils develop early scientific understanding, responsibility and anticipation through predictable routines.

Animals

Our Animals theme will introduce pupils to **farm animals, pets and wild animals** through **small-world play, sensory trays, animal sounds**, books and rhymes. Children will explore animal features, sizes and life stages in a fun and accessible way.

Weather and seasons

Children will learn about **weather and seasonal changes** using **wind ribbons, rain makers, simple weather charts** and outdoor observations. This encourages communication about what they can see, feel and experience during spring

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to develop early number and problem-solving skills through practical activities linked to our topics.

We will be focusing on:

- Matching and sorting objects
- Counting quantities
- Comparing more and none
- Exploring full and empty
- Positional language such as in, on and under

Music:

Music is an important part of our weekly learning. A **specialist music teacher** will be visiting Kite Class to work with the children, alongside regular music sessions in class.



Children will enjoy:

- Singing songs and nursery rhymes
- Exploring instruments and sounds
- Developing rhythm and pulse through movement
- Listening to music from different cultures

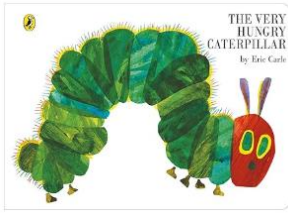
Music sessions support communication, attention, sensory regulation and enjoyment of group activities.

You can support your child's learning at home in simple and meaningful ways:

- Hygiene skills such as handwashing
- Dressing for the weather
- Making choices and requesting help

Our core books for this topic are:

The Hungry Caterpillar



Literacy

Literacy focus on listening, and communication skills. Children will engage with repeated stories, sensory props and visuals to help bring stories to life.

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We will be:

- Listening to and sharing familiar stories
- Matching objects and symbols to stories
- Sequencing simple events
- Making choices and expressing preferences using symbols and visuals

Little Wandle reading:

Phonics

Following the Little Wandle Phonics scheme we will be embedding a love of rhyme. We will learn a rhyme a week focusing on listening, sounds, patterns and rhyme.



We will teach phase 2-5 phonics cross the class. The children will learn individual sounds and then words containing taught sounds. This will support the children's reading and their handwriting as we focus on correct letter formation which will support writing.

Physical Development

Physical development is built into our daily routine to support both fine and gross motor skills.

Children will take part in:

- Sensory circuits and movement games
- Action songs and dance
- Outdoor play and exploration

Fine motor activities such as cutting, pouring and mark making.

These activities help children develop coordination, strength, balance and body awareness.

Life skills and wellbeing:

Life skills are an important part of our daily routines in Kite Class. Throughout the term, children will practise:

- Taking turns and sharing
- Following simple visual routines
- Hygiene skills such as handwashing
- Dressing for the weather
- Making choices and requesting help

We will also focus on friendship, kindness and belonging, supporting children to build positive relationships and feel confident in class.



Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or would like to talk about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We are looking forward to a happy and successful Spring Term in Kite Class



Kind regards,

The Kite Class Team