



Kidbrooke Park Primary School

Reception Curriculum Overview

Spring Term 2 – 'Living Things'

Reading and Literacy

Books this half term

Gecko's Echo

Gigantosaurus

Hungry Caterpillar

From Seed to Sunflower

Tiddler

Little Red Hen

Farmer Duck

Koala who Could

Maths



This term, our young mathematicians have been exploring the numbers 9 and 10. Through hands-on activities and engaging discussions, they are developing a deeper understanding of these numbers and how they can be represented in different ways.

They will be practicing finding the numbers in different contexts and comparing numbers.

We encourage you to support your child's learning at home by spotting numbers in everyday life - on doors, clocks, or counting objects together. Their enthusiasm for numbers is growing, and we love seeing their confidence shine.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



We will continue to teach the importance of discussing our feelings and how we can resolve conflict in friendships. We will continue to practice reinforcing strategies to regulate emotions and behaviours. We will support our young learners in building perseverance and learning to overcome their challenges. We will learn why it is essential to look after our bodies by exploring healthy habits, diets, physical activity and screen time. Lastly, we will examine simple choices we can make to support a healthier planet.

Please remember that we are here to support families in any way possible. The earlier years of education are critical as we lay the foundations for a lifetime of learning, so we want the school experiences to be positive. Please discuss with us

Expressive Art and Design



In Music, we are continuing our sessions with Mr Crabtree. The children will explore different instruments, create rhythms and pulses, and expand their repertoire of songs and nursery rhymes.

Also, the children will be getting 'hands-on' experiences of exploring different materials to design and create their own instruments, learning how to join materials together.

anything that may impact your child, and we will do our best to help you get any support you might need.

Communication and Language



A good vocabulary (knowing and understanding words) is essential for our young learners. Our new topic 'Living Things', is a perfect opportunity to learn vocabulary linked to growing, plants, insects and life cycles that will enable them to confidently understand and use this language. We provide our learners with various situations to speak and listen, such as circle time, group sessions, stories and rhymes, carpet time and through play. We model good spoken English and encourage the children to speak in clear, extended sentences.

Understanding the World



This term, our young learners will explore the world of living and non-living things. Through hands-on activities, the children will identify what makes something 'alive' and what living things need to grow. We'll design and plant a garden, watch seeds sprout, and learn how to care for plants. The children will also explore the life cycle of plants and the important role worms play in keeping soil healthy. Additionally, we are looking at dinosaurs, their features and how our earth looked different when dinosaurs roamed compared to now.

PE

PE is on **Thursday – RSG, Wednesday - RMB**. Please ensure children come with a named PE bag and named PE kit (including names on shoes).

Children will continue to develop independent skills by dressing and undressing themselves, plus learning how to look after their things.



Important Dates



Weekly Forest School sessions: **Every Thursday and Friday.**

Forest school will be a fantastic opportunity to develop our children's imagination, creativity, and ability to use natural materials, including making bird feeders, which our young learners will immensely enjoy.

Easter Church Visit - TBC

