



Nursery



MANILA'S



Useful Information



Spring 2

Topic: Growth and Change

(Please see knowledge organiser for further information)



This half term our topic is Growth and Change. We will be:

- Discussing how we have all changed as we have grown up; what we can do now that we could not do before.
- Role play with babies.
- Ordering stages of life.
- Creating pictures of what we want to be when we grow up.
- Growing plants, some from seeds.

Literacy:



We will be reading Yucky Worms.

We will be thinking about print, in books and the environment, such as the first letter of our names, a bus, a familiar logo or display words.

We will continue to take our books home on a Friday to share a story with our families.

We will continue to send home 'Wow' moment sheets so that you can share with us a drawing of things that you have seen or done at home or with your family at the weekend or after school.

Phonics:



In Nursery, we are learning Phonic Phase 1.

This includes;

- Aural discrimination practice
- Listening to environmental sounds
- Beginning to learn Letter sound discrimination & learning letter names.
- Talking about story line, words, sounds, playing with sounds.

Maths:



This half term we will be focusing on:

Fast recognition of up to 5 objects without having to count them individually - which we call **subitizing**

Children will:

- Show finger numbers up to 5
- Sing number songs with the number 5, such as:
 - 5 little monkeys
 - 5 little ducks
 - 5 currant buns
 - 5 little men in a flying saucer
 - 5 little speckled frogs

Physical Development (PD):



Gross motor skills:

Stand and balance for short periods on one foot.
Use hands and feet to negotiate obstacles.
Explore balancing and managing their bodies and moving into different spaces.

Fine motor skills:

Use a range of small tools, including pencils, scissors, rulers and cutlery.

Understanding the World (UW):



This half term we will be learning about:

Science:

We will explore the natural world around us, observing changes and making drawings of plants.

We will observe the life cycle of a plant from seed/bulb to fully grown plant.

Other Areas of Learning



Communication and Language:

Children will be able to:

Offer explanations for why things might happen such as predictions of what might happen next in a book or how a plant might develop.

Express their feelings about their experiences, using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses. For example, they will be encouraged to describe what they did at the weekend and what they plan to do the following weekend.

Home Learning:

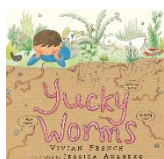


We will give you a storybook to read to your child every week. Please read every day with your child for 15 minutes. Make it a special, cosy time you both enjoy and have fun with. Please return books to be changed on Fridays.

Power of Reading:



Our Power of reading book is Yucky Worms by Vivien French. We will learn how amazing and important worms are for the soil as well as have fun with the



Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Albanian. Our Albanian community represents 2.8% of our families.

Poem of the Half Term:



Our poem this half term is Twinkle Twinkle Little Star.

Skills Builder:



This half term, we will be focusing on: **Leadership** and **Creativity**.



Rights Respecting:



This half term we will focus on **our right to be and feel safe**.



For more information, please see our website:

<https://wormholtparkprimary.co.uk/>

For our weekly newsletters, please see:

<https://wormholtparkprimary.co.uk/newsletters/>

Key Dates:

- 21st February 2022 - Start of Spring Term 2
- 25th February 2022 - February Birthday Bash
- 3rd March – World Book day
- 25th March 2022 - March Birthday Bash
- 1st April 2022 - End of Term - Children finish at 1.30pm
- 20th April 2022 - Start of Summer Term 1