

# Summer 2022 – Curriculum News

April 2022

We hope you had a fantastic spring break and the children managed to get some well-deserved rest, whilst eating chocolate! We look forward to the Summer Term with another exciting theme 'From a little seed'. Our key texts this term will support our learning about minibeasts and their life cycles, growing plants and vegetables in our outside area and talking about healthy eating. We will introduce children to different genres such as non-fiction texts and poetry. The children will continue to take part in a range of engaging cross-curricular activities to enhance their understanding of this theme. Activities will be challenging and appropriate for all children. Alongside our topic, we will also learn about festivals and celebrations around the world including, Eid al-Fitr.



## PE

PE will be on a **Monday** and will be led by our PE specialist Mr Newson. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in a full PE kit including appropriate footwear. Our PE session will be outside so please ensure your child has suitable clothing. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons. If a child comes in wearing earrings they will not be allowed to take part.



## Reading

We will continue to hear your child read once a week through individual reading or guided (group) reading.

Please ensure your child has their reading log and book in school every Monday as this is when we will collect in books and then send them home again on a Thursday.

Along with hearing your child read their book a minimum of three times please also continue to spend time supporting your child with their rainbow word cards. If they can read them you could practise writing them too and even write them in simple sentences.



## Outdoor Learning

During the afternoon children will continue to take part in our 'Discover and do' sessions and 'Welly Wednesdays'. As the weather turns warmer please ensure your child has a longlasting sunscreen applied each day and brings in a sunhat.



## Maths

Within our daily Maths sessions our teaching will be based around the Early Learning Goals for number and numerical patterns. We will be teaching, doubling, halving and problem solving alongside continuing with addition and subtraction. Your child will develop their language to describe 3D shapes and continue to develop an understanding of measuring.



## Literacy

This term we will be focusing on the Early Learning Goals for literacy. We will be practising writing sentences regularly but most importantly building children's independence in doing this. Sentences will include using irregular (tricky) words such as 'said' and 'like'. In phonics we will continue to recap digraphs and trigraphs and reading and writing words with these sounds in. We will be focusing on developing children's stamina for writing and offering opportunities for story writing.



## Rainbow Challenges



Create a small world garden using some of your favourite toys.

Plant a seed or bean and keep a daily diary drawing pictures and writing labels / sentences.

Build a bug house/hotel outside.

Become an artist and create a 3D minibeast

## Reception Staff

### Australia Class

**Mrs Mayes**

Early Years Leader /Class teacher

### Brazil Class

**Miss Ogg**

Class teacher

### Chile Class

**Miss Cordell**

Class teacher

(Mon, Thu, Fri)

**Mrs Edison**

Class teacher

(Tues, Wed)

**Mrs Whelan, Mrs Beadle  
Hood and Mrs Harden**

Early Years Practitioners

## Summer Term Key Dates

### Bank Holiday

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

### Half Term

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

### Trip to Lackford Lakes

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

### PD Day

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

### Sports Afternoon

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

### Summer Term Ends

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**