



# Curriculum Overview for EYFS Spring Term 2 2025-2026

## Unit: In the Garden

Thinking Skill 1: Looking Thinking Skill 2: Listening

### Literacy

#### Books:

One mole digging a hole - Julia Donaldson  
Twist and hop, minibeast bop -Tony Mitton  
Mad about Minibeasts - Giles Andraae  
Spot's Garden - Eric Hill  
Garden time - Jill Macdonald  
Fluffy chick - Rod Campbell

#### Daily literacy opportunities:

Letter of the day  
Alphabet and phonic work  
Weekly topic book and story time  
Shared reading sessions  
Self selected reading  
Library time  
Mark making in a range of different materials—shopping lists, labels, price tags.  
Letter work and play  
IPad work and games  
Predictable chart writing  
'Signing-In' activities

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- My Environment - We will be exploring features of our environment, nature walks
- 5 senses for wellbeing; birds, leaves, colours
- Focus on turn taking games.
- Self feeding skills through snack and lunchtime.
- Regular toilet programmes.
- Following therapy programmes.
- Feelings games.

### Mathematics

- **Number sequencing;** Counting and ordering the flowers
- Arrange pebbles from 1 to 10
- Create a number line using natural materials e.g. stones, sticks
- **Positions;** In, On, Under, Between - using flowerpots
- Shapes in outside environment
- Filing flower pots with soil.

### Physical Development

- Weekly swimming
- Weekly PE session in the hall
- Sensory circuits and outside play
- Working alongside the therapists.
- **Movement** - Tyres, crates, wooden planks, tunnels and stepping stones can be used to create obstacle courses to challenge themselves with movements
- **Co-ordination** - Planting, digging and watering

### Expressive Arts and Design

- Make edible garden
- Nature art
- Garden collage from objects collected outside
- Build a bird box
- Decorate a flower pot
- Build outside sculpture of natural materials
- Painting and drawing with flowers
- Create Easter Garden
- Easter Art

### Communication and Language

- Sensory 'story stations'- where children can explore a range of different textures and objects from the story
- Speech and language sessions
- Daily PODD use and play
- Morning hello and communication session
- Topic songs and rhymes
- Choice making throughout play.
- Environmental sounds games using garden sounds.

### Understanding the World

- Focus on religion, including Easter, Christianity, and same and differences.
- Focus on switches in ICT work in continuous provision
- Minibeasts hunt
- Wheelbarrow herb garden
- Create and observe a wormery
- Bug hotels
- Butterfly garden
- Plant seeds, bulbs, flowers and look after over time.