



Summer 2: "Who Lives in Our Garden?"

The Theme: High summer wildlife safaris, practicing for our big Sports Day, and preparing happily for the transition into Year 1.



★ What Your Child is Learning

- **Moving up to Year 1 (PSED):** Sharing our favorite Reception memories, talking openly about any worries, and feeling excited about moving up to Year 1.
- **Active Listening & Non-Fiction (CLL):** Polishing our active listening skills during peer review times and reading factual books about local birds and mammals.
- **Descriptive Sentences (Literacy):** Retelling The Baby Mouse story, creating detailed story maps, and writing clear sentences using descriptive adjectives.
- **Class Shops & Measuring (Maths):** Learning the value of 1p to 10p coins in our classroom shop role-play, measuring capacity and weight, and creating ways to make 10.
- **Binoculars & Wildlife Cams (Understanding the World):** Using binoculars and garden cameras to record local wildlife (like robins, hedgehogs, and foxes) and checking identification charts.
- **Clay Birds & North American Folk Songs (Expressive Arts):** Collaboratively modeling birds using clay and paper-mache, painting beautiful watercolours, and singing while dancing simultaneously.
- **Sports Day Championships (Physical Development):** Mastering gross motor agility, balance, and great team spirit through sack races and egg-and-spoon balancing events.



How to Help at Home

Spend a few minutes bird-watching out the window or in the garden—see how many local birds you can name together! Talk positively about Year 1 to build confidence and excitement for the big move.

