

EYFS Curriculum Newsletter



Our topic this term is...
Down at the bottom of the garden...



Topic

We have begun the topic exploring our amphibian friend the frog. The children were thrilled to meet our new tadpole friends and have been very busy helping them settle into FSI. We have also been caring for our sunflower seeds and the children were super excited to see them start to grow. We will be exploring minibeasts, birds and other garden dwelling creatures over the coming weeks. We intend to make the most of our beautiful surrounding areas during nature walks and minibeast hunts. We will end the topic with an FS Minibeast Ball.

Physical Development

We are learning to hold a pencil effectively to draw pictures that represent people, objects and experiences which are special to us.

In our PE lessons, we are using ribbon wands to create a variety of movements and help us to develop our gross motor skills, spatial awareness and coordination. We are also working on developing our ball skills during a variety of paired and group activities. We will start with learning to throw and catch a ball and then work towards balancing an object on a racket.



Communication and Language

The children are learning to use past, present and future forms accurately as we talk about home and school experiences, during daily News Time!

We are also focusing on answering 'how' and 'why' questions about our experiences and in response to stories or events relating to our topic. As we learn about the life cycle of animals and plants, the children are exploring and learning how to use new vocabulary. They are also being encouraged to make and record scientific observations.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are learning to manage our own feelings and behaviour, and to understand how this can affect other people. We will learn how the choices we make can affect our future.



RE

During our topic 'Good News,' we will learn about sharing good news and how this makes us feel. We will learn that Pentecost is a religious story from the past that shaped the future of Christians. We will learn that Christians are happy at Pentecost and go to church to celebrate the Good News.

Important Information

Each half term, your child will be given a 'Topic Challenge Menu' with a range of suggested tasks linked to their topic in school. Children should aim to gain 20 points.

A clear water bottles should be sent in each day clearly labelled with your child's name.

Please ensure your child has a spare set of clothing in school and a pair of wellies.

We also kindly ask for a weekly 50p contribution to help towards the cost of our baking and making experiences.