

Literacy

Topic Texts Include:

'The Little Red Hen', 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Bog Baby'

Children will:

- Word build, read words and write words (Sounds-Write programme).
- Read and write VCC, CVCC and CCVC words.
- Retell stories and sequence events.
- Become familiar with non-fiction books in order to look for information through pictures, photos, labels.

Communication and Language

Children will:

- Use language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.
- Understand questions such as who; why; when; where and how.
- Use talking to help organise thinking and offer explanations.
- Use new vocabulary in different contexts.

Physical Development.

Children will:

- Develop overall body-strength, balance, co-ordination and agility to engage in physical disciplines including dance.
- Combine different movements with ease and fluency.
- Understand the need for a variety of food and how to eat healthily.
- Begin to develop a clear handwriting style.

Gala Class will swim this term. Click on the link to see the Swimming Achievement Goals:

[Swimming Achievement Goals.pdf](#)

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will:

- Explore colours and how colours can be changed.
- Use available resources to craft topic-related pieces.
- Develop own ideas using various materials.
- Develop storylines in play.
- Explore and engage in music making.

**Year R
Spring Term 2
2026
Curriculum Coverage**



Our Topic **Spring into Action**

Home Learning

Sounds-Write reading books

Homework books

Mathematics

Children will:

- Compare and order numbers to 8.
- Use language – more than, less than, equal to.
- Explore the composition of numbers within 10 using part-part-whole relations.
- Begin to recall some double facts.
- Sort objects according to different criteria.
- Begin to explore practically odd and even numbers.
- Continue to develop subitising skills.

Understanding the World

Children will:

- Learn about the signs of Spring – Let's go on a Spring Walk.
- Describe animals, minibeasts and plants.
- Know how young creatures change as they grow into an adult, including lifecycles.
- Care for our baby that will be arriving soon.
- Grow seeds.
- Compare fruits and vegetables.
- Celebrate Easter.

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Children will:

- Express feelings and consider the feelings of others.
- Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- Think about the perspectives of others.

Stunning Start

Making bread just like the Little Red Hen in our story!

Fabulous Finish

Fabulous finish having chick eggs in school and being able to watch the chicks hatch out and grow!

Visits, Visitors and Important Dates

Events – Spring Term 2026

EVENT	DATE
Term Starts for Children	Monday 23rd February
Chinese Dancing Workshop EYFS & KS1	Wednesday 25 th February
Achievement Assembly	Thursday 26 th February at 9:15am
Year R Chinese New Year Parents Afternoon	Thursday 26 th February at 2:30pm
Van Cols Class and Group Photos	Tuesday 3 rd March
World Book Day Drama Workshop	Thursday 5 th March
World Book Day – Dress Up Day	Friday 6 th March
British Science Week	Monday 9 th March
Sublime Science Workshops - All day	Monday 16 th March
Parents Consultations	Tuesday 17 th March 3:45-6:30pm Thursday 19 th March 3:45-6:30pm
Red Nose Day – Children wear red to school	Friday 20 th March
Book Fair in the Library	Monday 23 rd – Thursday 26 th March from 3:20-4pm
CRIBS Easter Performance – EYFS, KS1 & KS2	Friday 27 th March
St Katherine's Aspiration Day 2026 EYFS, KS1 & KS2	Monday 30 th March
Kent Fire and Rescue Talk	Thursday 2 nd April
End of Term	Thursday 2nd April

How you can help...

We hope that this guide will help you to get further involved in your child's education. You could:

- Continue to read books together and discuss the story.
- Practice and recap letter sounds.
- Practice holding a pencil correctly.
- Practice writing simple sentences.
- Count things in everyday life, e.g. how many spoons are on the table?
- Practice doing coats up. Trying to put some items of clothing on independently when getting dressed in the morning.
- Practice putting shoes on independently.
- Practice using cutlery.

What is our main method of home communication?

We have an open-door policy here in Reception and encourage parents to speak to us regularly. Please wait until all children are dismissed or make an appointment if you wish to discuss something at length.

Facebook: In Year R we complete posts on Facebook throughout each week, sharing the children's learning. Please make sure you have a look!

Gala Class will be **swimming** this term. Please ensure your child **wears their swimming costume under their PE kit** and bring a **labelled bag** with a **towel and underwear** in. Please remember to provide a **swimming hat**.

