

## Literacy

### Topic Texts Include:

'Here We Are', 'The Hungry Caterpillar', 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

Children will:

- Develop a phonological awareness through circle time fun – clapping syllables in our name, listening to sounds and exploring rhyme.
- Share books in key groups and talk about what we have just read.
- Implement 'Talk for Writing' approaches to develop an understanding of storytelling and story structures.
- Write letter shapes in our name.
- Explore print in the environment.

## Personal, Social, Emotional Development

Children will:

- Invite others to play and attempt to join others' play.
- Gain a sense of belonging through being involved in daily tasks.
- Demonstrate friendly and welcoming behaviour towards new children starting nursery.
- Understanding that expectations vary depending on different events, social situations and changes in routine.

## Communication and Language

Children will:

- Listen to longer stories and remembering much of what happens.
- Pay attention to more than one thing.
- Start a conversation and continuing it for many turns.
- Understand the use of objects and begin to use developing vocabulary to describe object.
- Learn new key vocabulary linked to topic.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Children will:

- Use movement and sound to express ideas.
- Engage in imaginative play based on own ideas or first-hand or peer experiences.
- Remember and sing entire songs linked to topic or daily routine.
- Represent ideas through artwork.

### **Nursery**

**Summer Term 1  
2026**

**Curriculum Coverage**



## Our Topic **How on Earth?!**

### Home Work

Complete 'Marvellous Me' book.  
Please bring in a family photo for our photo wall.

## Mathematics

Children will:

- Revisit numbers to six.
- Learn about the numbers seven, eight, nine and ten.
- Find the total amount of two groups.
- Experiment with own marks including numerals.
- Explore capacity and language linked to capacity such as, full and empty.

## Understanding the World

Children will:

- Explore how things grow: caterpillars, seeds and plants.
- Understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and living things.
- Share ideas on how we can reduce, reuse, and recycle.
- Use the internet to retrieve information.

## Physical Development.

Children will:

- Develop gross motor movements – creating lines and circles with arms. To balance on one foot, shifting body weight to improve stability.
- Develop fine motor skills, to find a comfortable pencil grip and dominant hand.
- Learn to be more independent with organising self. For example, finding own lunch box and water bottle.
- Learn about how to keep our bodies healthy through exercise and healthy eating.

### Stunning Start

Plant a variety of flower and vegetable seeds.

### Fabulous Finish

Cooking and food tasting – linking to our healthy eating focus and the vegetables we have planted at the beginning of the term.

### Visits, Visitors and Important Dates

#### Events – Summer Term 1 2026

EVENT	DATE
Start of Summer 1 (first day back)	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
Achievement Assembly	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2026 - 9:15am
SEND Coffee Morning	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 – 8.45am to 9.45am
St Kath's Top Tots Session	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 – 9:15am
Last Day of Term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May

### How you can help...

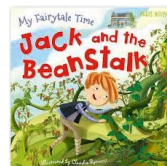
We hope that this guide will help you to get further involved in your child's education. You could:

- Share stories together and learn some of our familiar nursery rhymes – see display in entrance for some suggestions.
- Explore sounds in the environment. What can you hear?
- Go on nature walks, talk about what you see happening and the changes through the seasons.
- Play memory games such as, Kims Game – *place objects, letters, pictures, words on a tray, look at the objects for a few seconds, cover them up and get them to name the objects. Alternatively, you can remove one, two, three etc and see if they can remember what has been removed.*
- Try new foods – encourage healthy eating and healthy lunchbox ideas (healthy eating is going to be a big focus this term)

'**Marvellous Me**' books will be sent home every half term for you to update with your holiday adventures. From camping trips to play dates with family and friends, the children really enjoy looking back over their experiences with their friends. It develops their understanding of their life-story and is a great conversation starter to develop their communication and language skills.

#### What is our main method of home communication?

The Nursery Team will be available daily, to let you know how your child's day went. Each key person will take photos and write a short statement about your child's progress and suggested next steps for their learning and development. These will be sent out termly via 'Tapestry', our online parent sharing platform.



**Facebook:** In Nursery we complete weekly posts on Facebook sharing the children's learning throughout the week. Please feel free to like and comment as we do like to read them!