

Communication and Language

Children will develop their communication and language skills through daily story time, where they listen, join in, and talk about what they hear. They will also take part in daily rhythm and rhyme sessions, building vocabulary and confidence. We will learn and perform songs about life cycles and plants, supporting understanding and recall.

Literacy

This half term, children will immerse themselves in Jack and the Beanstalk, retelling the story through actions and songs. Reception children will write simple sentences about the story. We will then begin our book-making unit, 'My Amazing Body', exploring non-fiction texts. Children will learn how writing can inform, and practise planning, writing, and reviewing their own ideas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half term, children will explore the question, "Are we all the same?" They will talk about similarities and differences between themselves and others, helping them develop respect and understanding. Children will practise sharing, turn-taking, and working together in different activities, building positive relationships, confidence, and important social skills through play.



Starfish Class Curriculum Overview: Summer 2

Mrs Wells and Mrs Gomulak

READING

Please make sure your child has their reading record and reading book in school every day. These will be changed on a **Friday**.

Physical Development

Physical development is supported daily through a balance of gross and fine motor activities. Children will build strength and coordination through climbing, balancing, jumping, and using a range of outdoor equipment. Fine motor skills will be developed through activities such as threading, cutting, drawing, and finger rhymes. Each week, children will take part in focused sessions developing ball skills, including throwing, catching, rolling, and kicking. A dedicated PE session takes place every Tuesday afternoon, so please ensure your child wears their PE kit.

Mathematics

Nursery children will explore patterns and enjoy solving simple puzzles, helping them to notice similarities and differences. Reception children will begin to learn about simple addition and subtraction, building on their number knowledge. They will also review shapes and start to explore sharing and grouping objects, developing their understanding through practical, hands-on activities and everyday play.

Understanding of the World

This half term, children will learn about living and growing. They will watch caterpillars change into butterflies and begin to understand life cycles. Children will also learn about plants, what they need to grow, and how they change. Through simple, hands-on activities, they will explore the natural world and learn to care for living things.

Expressive Arts and Design

This half term, children will learn about architect Zaha Hadid and look at her unusual building designs. They will use her work as inspiration to design and create their own fantasy buildings. Children will draw, plan, and make models, exploring shapes and structures while developing their creativity and expressing their own ideas through imaginative design.