

### Personal, Social and Emotional

- Take turns watering and planting plants and flowers.
- Talk about how a person might feel when they receive flowers.
- Do you have a favourite mini beast? Why? Is there a mini beast you don't like? Why?
- Talk about caring for mini beasts and setting up homes.

### Physical Development

- Swimming every Monday morning.
- Forest school every other Friday starting Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.
- PE with Becky-Lee Turner every Thursday afternoon. This term children will be developing their athletic skills.
- Moving in different ways like mini beasts and hopping like frogs
- Threading spider webs.

### Literacy

The children will be continuing drawing club starting with the story 'The Enormous Turnip'

The children will go over phase 3 sounds and tricky words.

We will continue to practise letter formation to help support the children's writing.

Draw and label the parts of a plant.

### Expressive Art and Design

- Discuss Van Gogh Sunflower painting and do an observational painting of a sunflower.
- Use salt dough to make minibeasts.
- Mixing different shades of green paint to paint frogs.

### Reception

#### Summer Term 1 In the Garden

### Maths

- **Explore 3D shapes**  
Explore and copy more complex patterns
- **To 20 and beyond**
  - Build numbers beyond 10 (10-13)
  - Continue patterns beyond 10 (10-13)
  - Build numbers beyond 10 (14-20)
  - Continue patterns beyond 10 (14-20)
  - Verbal counting beyond 20
- **How many now?**
  - Add more
  - How many did I add?
  - Take away
  - How many did I take away?

### Communication and Language

- Listen to the story Katie and the Sunflowers. Talk about what they can see in the different artwork.
- Discuss the life cycle of a sunflower.
- Read Non Fiction books about the life cycle of a frog. Discuss then sequence the life cycle.
- Read Non Fiction books about mini beasts.
- Listen to and retell 'The Enormous Turnip'

### Understanding the World

- Go on a mini beast hunt. Discuss the different place we find mini beasts.
- Make our own mini beast houses.
- Plant our own sunflower seeds.
- Learn the different parts of a plant.
- Discuss what plants need to grow.

### Ways you can help your child

- Read with your child at least 3 times a week and practise set 3 sounds and tricky words.
- Go on a mini beast hunt
- Practise counting to 20 and beyond