Spring into Life/Down in the jungle. Summer Term topic information for Reception, 2023.

Communication & Language

- Role-play Bug Hide, Bug café, Safari jeep
- Listening and responding to a variety of both information and story books – focus on Eric Carle
- Continue to promote 'Terrific Talking' routines eye contact, body language, rich language, volume, enthusiasm
- Following & giving instructions Flight of the Bumble Bee, honey sandwiches
- Bug songs and rhymes Arabella Millar, Incy Wincy
- Sequencing & ordering items to re-tell a spring walk
- Show & Tell/storytelling to complete/jungle project

Personal, Social & Emotional development (PSED)

- Remembering our Lion's Den rules inside & out
- Gentle Giant rules for minibeasts
- Promoting independence
- Building friendships & team work webs
- WOW! Time sharing new achievements from home
- Nurturing Family Links focus Managing anger, Gentle touch & Hurting touch, Telling others & Keeping secrets, Glad to be me!



Physical Development

- Build a variety of habitats & bugs from a range of materials
- Building our own obstacle courses and planning a journey on the Big Bug Jungle Safari
- Jungle movement parade
- Developing fine motor skills with cutting / malleable and construction materials – making tiny bug hideouts
- Bikes, trikes & go-karts
- Safety when using tools for building and designing



Maths

- Counting towards our 150 Day Party
- Addition & subtraction using wriggly legs
- Problem solving activities linked to Bug jungle safari
- Time days, months, times of the day hour/half hour
- Multiplication & division linked to Jungle feast
- Symmetry butterflies, leaves
- Shape caterpillars, honey comb
- Weight investigations with Big Bug challenge
- Story and life cycle sequencing
- Money exploring coins and quantities Bug B&B

Literacy

- Continue to reinforce the speed sounds from set 1 of the RWI program the red Words already introduced
- Consolidation of the early reading skills with the use of Green/Purple/Pink coloured books.
- Focus upon the stories by Eric Carle
- Designing and making our own crazy jungle creatures to form a class book
- Captions, recount, instructions
- Formal handwriting sessions

Understanding the World

- Minibeast hunt exploring habitats
- Spring growth Pussy willow/blossom
- Jungle story sticks
- Creatures & plants of the jungle
- Visit to Cotswold Wildlife Park
- Life cycles 'Grow' a butterfly
- Building webs
- Microscopes and magnifiers Safari maps
- Exploring life in alternative environments

Expressive Art and Design

- Painting/drawing focus animals & spring growth
- Rousseau big jungle and tiger display
- 3D constructions of jungle beasts paper folding, big bug craft. Focus on Gaudi
- Book illustrating in the style of Eric Carle
- Bug trails and maps
- Instruments and rhythm to create sound story & jungle animals



Discrete subjects/Specialists

- Phonics Read Write Inc will be taught on a daily basis & link with topics where possible. Mix of reading/writing.
- Homework will be weekly activities and daily reading
- Music Songs, rhymes & beats linked to the jungle
- ICT/Science Individualised program linked to topic
- Sport/swimming/PE /Dance will work through an individualised program making links where possible.

Regular slots

- Show & Tell will continue on Thursdays, please share a special item belonging to another member of the family.
 Teach your child all about the item, bring it in on your day
 Prepare them to answer questions on it and share all the details
- WOW! On Wednesdays we will share our celebrations and achievements from home. Please remember to send these in.



Please remember that these are starting points and provide just a simple outline of some of the activities we will cover across the term. We endeavour to allow the children to lead the learning wherever possible and seek to creatively enhance learning opportunities, whilst working towards the Early Learning Goals.