Personal, Social and Emotional

We are learning about safety. We will be looking at road safety, staying safe around strangers, water safety and safety around the home. We will also be developing our social skills by playing cooperative games where we have to take turns. We will be developing our confidence by sharing our own ideas during circle time activities.

Communication and Language

We will be developing our spoken language by learning new vocabulary through our topic work. We will be working in small groups to share our experiences, play memory and listening games and develop our reasoning skills. We will be encouraged to speak in full sentences, supported by an adult, developing our descriptive language.

Physical

We will continue to develop our core strength and spatial awareness skills by engaging in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. We will focus on developing our fine motor skills through regular handwriting opportunities, small tool activities (tweezers, scissors, paint brushes, creative pens), finger gym exercises and daily pen / dough disco sessions.

Literacy

We will continue our Read Write Inc. phonics journey where we are learning to read words and simple phrases. We will be retelling and sequencing a key text, using new vocabulary. We will create our own story using the skills we have developed. We will also be creating our own diaries to follow the changes observed in growth through planting beans and hatching chicks.

Reception

Spring Term Learning

Mathematics

We will continue to develop our subitising and counting skills and explore the composition of numbers within and beyond 5. We will begin to identify when two groups are equal and connect quantities to numerals. We will explore the structure of 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit' and connect this to finger patterns and die frames. We will sort odd and even numbers according to their 'shape' and continue developing our understanding of the counting sequence and ordinality through the 'staircase pattern'.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will explore and use junk modelling to create our own vehicles. We will experience using vehicles in paint to create different kinds of tracks, comparing the patterns made. We will make our own boats as part of a floating and sinking experiment. We will use a variety of materials and resources to recreate scenes from a traditional fairy tale, experimenting with texture, colour and size.



Understanding the World

We will explore and experience different cultural traditions including Chinese New Year, Pancake Day, Holi, and Easter. We will look at different modes of transport, identify and sort by type of vehicle and make our own maps. We will begin to programme routes for the Bee-Bots. We will experience changing Seasons and investigate what happens to animals and plants during Spring. We will plant our own beans and observe the life cycle of a plant. We will experience the life cycle of a hen through the Living Eggs project.