


Dunmore Primary School

Nursery Curriculum Newsletter - Summer Term 1 2025



Our Theme this Term	Communication and Language
<p style="text-align: center;">In My Garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will be growing lots of different plants in our garden area and hope to be able to taste some of the things we grow. We will look for insects living in our garden and think about their habitat. We will learn about the life cycle of plants and animals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will continue to share stories with the children looking for new vocabulary and experiences. We will build on our listening skills as we explore books and photographs. We enjoy using rhymes, poems and songs. We love to give the children the chance to share their experiences with each other. We can use Tapestry to show photos of special things they have done at home.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development
<p>We will be helping the children to gain as much independence as possible over the summer term so that they are ready for their transition into Reception. You can help us with this by encouraging them to dress themselves, do up buttons and zips, use the bathroom independently and look after their belongings in school.</p> <p>We will also continue to think about how to build positive relationships and look after our friends.</p>	<p>Fine motor skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holding a pencil using tripod grip Name writing Regular letter formation practice Cutting skills <p>Gross motor skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor play available whatever the weather Building, climbing, balancing PE lessons – Apparatus and ball skills
Literacy	Mathematics
<p>Daily phonics sessions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognising sounds (look out on Tapestry for which sounds we are learning each week) Letter formation Segmenting CVC words 	<p>Daily maths sessions include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sequencing Positional language More than/ fewer than Shape 2D and 3D Revisit pattern.
Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will learn the names of some familiar plants and think about what they need to grow. We will investigate insects in our local environment, building bug hotels to observe them more closely. We will explore life cycles of animals and plants. We will explore different growing methods. 	<p>We will be painting butterflies and making two colour pattern caterpillars. We will also use salt dough to make models of minibeasts.</p> <p>We love playing the percussion instruments and will find ways to play them fast, slow, loud and quiet.</p>

Important Information

PE	Our PE day is Monday or Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for physical activities
Singing assembly	We join Reception and Key Stage 1 for singing and signing assembly on Thursday morning.
Advance notice: Open Morning	On June 18 th we will be holding an Early Years Open Morning for Nursery and Reception families. We will send more details nearer the time but please save the date and be prepared for some lovely singing and craft activities with your children.

Requests to Parents

- PLEASE make sure that all items of clothes are named! This is especially important now that the weather has warmed up.
- Please remember that we only allow water in water bottles. The children may bring a different drink for their lunch.
- Please provide cutlery and a bowl in the lunchbox if your child requires them.
- Please make sure the children have sunhats and that you have applied sun cream at home before school. Our gardens do not have a lot of shade and we want to keep the children safe.

Key Dates

Friday 23rd May - Summer Term 1 ends

Tuesday 3rd June – Summer Term 2 begins