

### Literacy

Our book focus this half term is Errol's Garden. We will be comparing fiction and non-fiction books. We will be describing characters from the book, writing instructions and creating leaflets all about gardening.

### Mathematics

We will be exploring patterns in a range of context including; numbers, shapes sizes, actions. They will learn to copy, continue and create their own repeating patterns. We will be using real objects to see that the quantity of a group can be changed when adding more or taking away. We will introduce addition mathematical stories in meaningful contexts, using ten frames to represent the stories. We will begin to count on and back from a given number using physical objects. We will be counting beyond 10 and looking at how these numbers are represented. We will look at how as we count the numbers increase by one more.

### Physical Development

We will be learning to travel in different ways using different apparatus. We will develop our fine motor skills through a range of activities including; threading, playdough and cutting. We will be practising our letter formation to help with our writing.

### Communication and Language

During lessons we will be retelling the story in our own words. We will be discussing our own ideas and experiences of gardening and plants



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our value this half term is friendship. We will be looking at emotions and being able to recognise our own and others emotions.

### Expressive Arts and Design

**Exploring media and materials:** We will be exploring a range of artists this half term, looking at the techniques they use in their work. We will use this to create our own piece of art work in the style of our own chosen artist. In music we will be exploring musical instruments, the sounds they make and what they are called.

**Being imaginative:** We will be using our imagination to design and create our own collage gardens. We will have access to modelling and different materials at all times to explore and be creative.

### Understanding the World

**The world:** We will be looking at plants and labelling their different parts. We will be using what we have learnt about plants and gardens to design and create our own mini garden.

**People and Communities:** We will explore different gardens that can be found in our local area and compare them to other gardens we have seen.

**Technology:** We will be using PurpleMash to help design our own gardens. We will have regular access to tablets and the Interactive whiteboard to access age appropriate software.