



It is lovely to return to school with some sunshine! A warm welcome to our new children and families who are joining us in the Nursery this term. We will be relaunching our 'Learning Library' at the end of this half term, enabling nursery parents to support their children with key skills at home.

The children really enjoyed their 'Growing' topic last term, with lots of seeds planted and growing observed over time. We thoroughly enjoyed 'Communication Week' and all the efforts made to continue with the momentum at home. This half term the topic across the phase is 'Feathers and fur'. There is an egg hatching experience for all pupils to enjoy, please ensure payments have been made on Arbor.

We look forward to another exciting half term in Early Years.
Mrs Sohal and the Early Years Team

Dates for your Diary

Across Early Years

11th to 21st May
Hatching chicks and
ducklings experiences

Nursery

Stay and Play at 11:10am and 2:30pm

Wednesday 15th April

Wednesday 29th April

Wednesday 13th May

Reception

Stay and Play at 2:50pm

Wednesday 22nd April

Wednesday 6th May

Wednesday 20th May

Nursery

Two year old room

During our growing topic, we grew some edible mustard plants to take home and watched tiny caterpillars grow, spin cocoons and turn into butterflies. It took a long time!

Three year old room

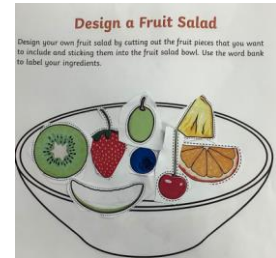
The children enjoyed all the hands on experiences in the topic 'Let's Get Growing'. We learned what plants need to grow and noticed that the seeds that were left out in the cold took a lot longer to grow than the ones in the warm. We had fun playing in the potting shed and learning that some plants produce food that we can eat.





Reception

The children in Reception were learning about all things that grow and change. We learned about how plants grow, where our food comes from, healthy and unhealthy foods and life cycles of humans, plants and animals. We noticed how much we have changed since being babies and talked about the differences between what we could do then and can do now. We were all so cute! In the lovely Spring weather, the children have had a wonderful time helping out in the garden, weeding and preparing the ground for new seeds to be planted, making sure they have everything they need; water, sunlight, air, soil and space. We were lucky enough to be part of an interactive performance of one of this term's books 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Every child planted their very own bean plant and we are crossing our fingers that they grow tall enough to reach the giant's castle.



Reception Alternative Provision

The children in the RAP have been busy getting their hands green as we dive into our 'Healthy food and growing' topic! It has been a wonderful journey of discovery, exploring everything from how plants sprout to how we grow and stay strong ourselves. We have been focusing on the difference between healthy and unhealthy choices, even taking the opportunity to enjoy our snacks together around the role-play table to practice sharing our space while eating healthy apples. A particular highlight was learning all about the life cycle of a strawberry; the children loved planting their own seeds and, of course, tasting the delicious fruit! Finally, inspired by the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, everyone has planted their very own bean plant, and we are now watching them very carefully each day to see just how tall they can grow.

