

The Bees and Dragonflies



Our Colourful World



Communication & language

This term we will be using Elmer stories as a focus of our continuous provision and short carpet time sessions. We will think about the themes of each of the stories and use these to develop new vocabulary and experiences. We will learn about Jungle Animals and use a variety of Fiction & Non Fiction Books.

🏠 Spend lots of time talking with your child about some of the Time to Talk images we will be tweeting and sending via Tapestry.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This term is all about developing our confidence and independence. There are many new routines to learn and friends to be made. We will focus our PSHE on New Beginnings and during RE sessions we will learn some of the stories from the Bible, including Noah's Arc.

🏠 Talk to your child about what they have been doing at school. Follow us on Twitter and Tapestry and look at the photos together.

Physical Development

This term we will be working on our fine and gross motor skills, developing our pencil control and beginning to make marks and learning to write our names. During PE sessions

we will be getting changed by ourselves and beginning to play some spatial awareness games. We will learn how to make healthy food choices as we all start staying for school lunches and having daily milk and snack.

🏠 Please help support your child's independence when getting ready for school or bed and by putting on their own coat.

Literacy

This term we will start our daily RWI sessions, learning a new sound everyday and then blending and segmenting for reading and spelling. We will meet Fred the Frog who will help us with our oral blending. We will practice writing our names everyday when we sign in in the morning and begin to write the new letter sounds we are learning.

🏠 Use the resources we will start sending home after the reading meeting to support your child learning of their sounds and words.

Mathematical Development

During our maths carpet times we will be focusing on numbers to 5, using stories to support our learning. We love the Numberblocks and we will be using these to support our number knowledge. We will be learning all about patterns and the names of 2D shapes.

🏠 Please spend some time playing simple games such as dominoes, playing cards

and simple track games with your child at home.

Understanding the World

Our regular woodlands sessions will start on Wednesday 25th (a timetable of when your child will be going out will come home soon). We will be looking at the world around us, focusing on getting to know our way around school and talking about our journeys to get here. We will have our first class trip to Seven Stories on October 8th, for an Elmer workshop.

🏠 Please talk with your child as you walk to school. What things do you see? What landmarks do you pass? What is the weather like on different days? Is it the same as yesterday, last week, last month?

Expressive Arts & Design

We will be busy creating our first classroom displays—the bees and the dragonflies—and painting pictures of ourselves to brighten the Foundation Stage Unit. Through our continuous provision we will be using our imaginations and story telling in the puppet theatre, small world play, home corner and outdoor area.

🏠 Encourage your child to use their teddies and toys to make up simple stories and narratives, why not upload some of their play to Tapestry for us to see and share.