

## Foundation Stage Topic Web Newsletter

Class/Year: \_\_\_Nursery\_\_\_\_\_

Term: \_\_\_Spring 1\_\_\_\_\_



### Introduction to topic/theme:

This half term we will be looking at the topic 'Food Glorious Food'. We will learn about different types of food and where our food comes from. We will learn about healthy and unhealthy food and have a go at sorting these. We will read a variety of different food related stories to make comparisons.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Developing their sense of responsibility and membership in our classroom by designating jobs around the classroom.
- Begin to understand how to care for living things and our environment.
- We will talk about managing our feelings.
- We will be looking at how we can be helpful to our friends.

### Physical Development

- Practising dressing ourselves, putting on our own coats and belongings, as well as turning our clothes the right way around.
- Introduction of daily Dough Disco to strengthen our hand muscles ready for writing in the future.

### Expressive Arts and Design

- Colour mixing to create our own butterflies.
- Learning new painting techniques.
- Observational drawings of caterpillars and butterflies.
- Use different materials to create our own collages of gardens.
- Making cards for different celebrations.

### Homework

Homework will be **sent out on a Wednesday** and will need to be **returned the following Monday**. These will be small tasks related to our current class learning. If you require support, please speak to a member of the Nursery team.

### Library

Children will need to bring a book bag on a Friday to take a library book home. This needs to be returned the following week.

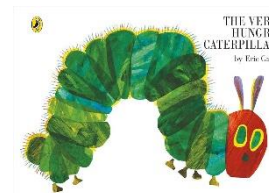
### Topic/Theme

## Food Glorious Food



### Communication, Language & Literacy

The children will be introduced to a range of reading material to fuel their interest in reading. We will be reading the stories below in class and getting to know them well. We will also be focusing on listening for and saying initial sounds in words. Children will have a go at early reading, reading pictures, as well as simple words.



### Mathematics

- Subitise - Learning to recognise the number of objects in a small group without the need to count them.
- Number 3 – recognising the numeral, representing 3 and subitising 3.
- Number 4 – recognising the numeral, representing 4 and recognising groups of 4 objects.
- Number 5 – recognising the numeral, representing 5 and subitising 5.
- Ordering numbers to 5.
- Composition of numbers to 5.

### Understanding the World

We will be learning about celebrations such as Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day and Shrove Tuesday. We will look at how these special times are celebrated. We will be learning about growth, change and decay. We will also learn about the life cycle of a caterpillar and other insects and their habitats.

### Ideas to try at home

- Go on a Winter Walk and look at all of the seasonal changes in our environment.
- Make some playdough with your child and join in with Dough Disco.
- Listen to Nursery Rhymes with your child and learn some new ones.
- Look at videos of caterpillars and make a poster for the life cycle of a caterpillar.
- Experiment with colours and colour mixing.
- Have a go at counting a small group of objects using the 1:1 counting principle.
- Practise writing the numbers 1-5 with your child and look at different ways to represent these.