

# GROWING

Week 6, 20<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> May

This week In Oak class:

## Maths

This week the children will work on composing using shapes and then decomposing using shapes. They will work on understanding that shapes can be combined to make new shapes. Children will have opportunities to fit shapes together. They will then move on to understanding that shapes can be separated to make new shapes

They will build on prior learning and will look at copying more complex 2-D shape pictures. They will then move on to noticing 2-D shapes within 3-D shapes in a range of contexts.

Throughout the week, there will be opportunities for the children to work with shapes of different sizes to explore and construct using them.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Role play- The children have enjoyed using the puppet theatre this week and we are busy creating a stage area for the children to perform and experiment with musical instruments.

We opened our Oak class garden centre outside last week. The children will have opportunities to work with plant pots and create their own plants to sell in the garden centre.

The children are still really enjoying mixing the paints together to see what colours they can make so we will extend this in to our water play.

## Communication and Language and

### Personal, Social and Emotional development

Our Growth Mindset character this week is the Kindness badger. We will be looking at how to be kind to our plants and creatures in our outside environment.

We are using the Loxwood Learner code and looking at how we can look after each other and our classroom. How many of our Loxwood learner codes can we remember?

Some changes are happening to our bean plants- I wonder what we might notice?!

## Understanding of the world

This term we are learning about 'Growing.' We are continuing to label parts of a plant this week and naming common flowers that we might come across in our gardens or when we are out and about. We will be keeping an eye on our own bean plants and noticing any changes that have happened.

Healthy eating- we will continue to think about how to keep healthy and tie this in with sun safe as the sun has finally made an appearance. We will be talking about suncream and sunhats and encouraging the children to wear a sunhat at school. Please administer suncream before school rather than sending in suncream with your child.

The children will create their own healthy plate of food using pictures of different food groups.

We are continuing to look at Islam and what is important to Muslim people- their special book and special building and clothing.



## Literacy and Phonics

We are now either reviewing the single letter sounds or working on the Set 2 or Set 3 sounds. We have just assessed your children's reading and will be giving them new phonic groups after the half term holiday.

Please make sure they have their reading book in school every day and please do write in their yellow reading records to let us know how they are doing with their reading at home. You can watch the videos for the letter sounds on our school's virtual classroom on our website:

[https://www.loxwoodschool.com/web/phonics\\_and\\_early\\_reading/635274](https://www.loxwoodschool.com/web/phonics_and_early_reading/635274)

The Little Red Hen-We are taking part in weekly writing tasks to learn how to use our phonics to spell words and how to write a sentence. This week our inspiration will be the story The Little Red Hen.

To extend our writing, we are now looking at the different parts to a caption or sentence using the poster below.



## Physical Development

Our PE day is on WEDNESDAY because we have our weekly slot with Mr Green. Please encourage your child to change their clothes independently at home for practise.

We are practising our letter formation each morning now, and we are getting really good at carefully writing our letters.

Using the big blocks, we will enhance our garden centre play this week.

Creating shapes out of playdoh will support our fine motor skills.

