

## Summer 1 Ready, Steady, Grow !

### Week 1&2

This week in Nursery we have started a new topic called “Ready, Steady, Grow!”.

We have talked about things that grow and then children had a chance to look for and explore things that grow around the school. We have visited the meadow and have found lots of plants and flowers. We have looked at blossoms, catkins, grass and spring flowers growing everywhere.

Back in the classroom children have drawn beautiful pictures of tulips that they could see growing outside the Nursery building.



### Week 3

Children in Nursery have been reading and listening to the ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’ story. We have planted our own magic beans and now we are waiting for them to grow!

In the garden we have been sowing lots of tiny seeds into little pots. As it was still a little bit cold outside we have decided to keep the pots in the green house. Every day we take turns to check if the seeds need to be watered. In maths we have been learning about height. We have learnt how to find out and measure who is the tallest and the shortest in the class. We have been busy making castles and towers in the construction area and in the garden and then we have compared their height.

We enjoy exploring the new outdoor equipment, especially the boat, digger and the musical

instruments.



#### Week 4

We have had 2 very special visitors this week, baby Willow and baby Freddie. The children were able to see the babies and ask lots of questions such as:

“Does the baby drink milk?”

“Can the baby play with our toys?”

“Why is she sleeping?”.

The children were able to see the differences between a baby and themselves (the babies were smaller, had less hair, cannot sit/walk, cannot talk).

The children were also able to say what the babies need to grow; to begin with milk, then healthy foods such as fruits and vegetables.



## Week 5

This week in Nursery, the children have been learning about France. They have seen pictures of famous landmarks, such as the Eiffel Tower. They have painted the French flag, using red, blue and white paint. They have also tried French baguettes with butter and jam.

The children have been identifying curved and straight lines. They have used different mark making items to practise drawing each one.

The children were then introduced to the Ukrainian born, French artist Sonia Delaunay. She created beautiful designs using just shapes and colours. Inspired by her pictures, the children made their own artwork



## Week 6

Over the past two weeks, Nursery children have been exploring Healthy Living. Last week, EYFS had a Healthy living workshop, where both grown ups and children joined in lots of different activities involving food, such as making smoothies, fruit salads and choosing items to make a healthy plate. In the Nursery class, the children have been learning about good hygiene practices, such as cleaning teeth, visiting a dentist and keeping our bodies clean and safe. The children have also been doing lots of different exercise sessions, ranging from yoga, dancing, 8 minute cardio in addition to their weekly P.E. lessons. To help keep a healthy mind, the children have been practising relaxation techniques such as controlled breathing and quiet reflections. Outside in the Nursery garden, the children have been getting lots of fresh air whilst helping Mrs Katun plant strawberries and tomatoes. During

cooking, the children used a manual Spiralizer machine to make vegetable spaghetti and chopped up tomatoes and onions to make a wonderful tomato sauce.

