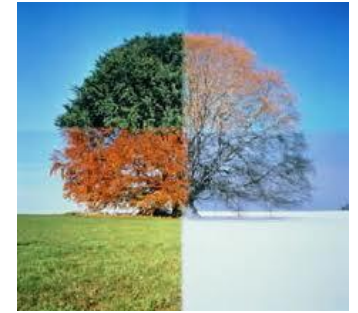


Starting Points for Learning in Reception

Spring 2018 – All creatures Great and Small/Out and About



Prime Areas

Personal, Social and Emotional

- New SEAL themes – Going for Goals/ Good To Be Me
- Continuing to focus on Golden Rules
- Considering the needs views and feelings of others. Taking account others' ideas.
- Considering jobs in the community – Vets.

Communication and Language

- Talking about our favourite pets
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- Describing changes – seasons and lifecycle stages and growth.
- Listening to and retelling stories. E.g Handa's Surprise ,Dear Zoo
- Role play Vets/Garden Centre/Castle

Physical Development

- Moving in different ways, different speeds and using signals
- Developing skills with small apparatus e.g bean bags, balls
- Caterpillar to butterfly dance.
- Observing the effects of exercise on our bodies.
- Ways of keeping healthy



Specific Areas

Literacy

- A range of stories linked to pets, animals and life cycles e.g Dear Zoo, The Great Pet Sale, the Tiger who came to Tea, The Very Hungry Caterpillar.
- Information books about animals, vets and changes.
- Continuing to develop our reading/writing skills

Maths

- Adding and taking away
- Symmetrical patterns – butterfly patterns
- Positional language.
- Measuring – comparing lengths and heights.
- Problem solving with coins
- Comparing amounts – same, less, more.

Understanding of the World

- Animals that hibernate
- Caring for Pets
- Growing plants and planting seeds.
- Looking for seeds in fruit
- Lifecycles of animals and plants.
- Easter and new life.
- Mother's Day.
- Walks –looking for signs and sounds of Spring.

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- Observational drawing of animals/pets
- Animal patterns
- Observational drawing of plants and spring flowers
- Butterfly painting.
- Clay work.
- Marble painting.
- Handa's Surprise collage