

# Roots, Shoots and Muddy Boots

Buccaneers  
Summer Term 1

## Communication and Language

This term will see us focus on plants, vegetables, fruits, life cycles and farms. We will use books to spark our imagination, help us to explain events and introduce new vocabulary.

Example Vocabulary:

*plant, flower, vegetable, fruit, water, sun, pot, root, shoot, leaf, stem, seed, petal, soil, bud, germinate, oxygen, pollen, nectar*

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will explore relationships (friendships) and how we build and maintain positive, healthy relationships. We will be using our planting and growing learning as an opportunity to look at different food groups and further develop our understanding of what 'being healthy' means.

## Physical Development

We will spend lots of time being active in our learning and play, both indoors and outside. Our weekly PE lesson will see us develop and rehearse the skills we will use during our school Sports Day. We will also take part in specific sessions to help us develop our gross and fine motor skills. These will include Mini-Movers, Dough Disco, Scarf Dancing and Squiggle Me Into A Writer.

## Literacy

This term we will be learning the sounds: /ar/or/ur/ow/oi/ar/air/ure/er. We will also begin learning the next set of tricky words: some, one, said, come, do, so, were, when, have, there, out, like, little, what. We will be encouraged to develop our comprehension skills as we become more confident readers. We will continue to become 'Clever Writers', aiming to create simple sentences with capital letters, finger spaces and a full stop.

## Mathematics

This term, we will be encouraged to use our knowledge of number composition as we begin to explore numbers beyond 10. We will be developing our measuring skills and continue to develop our awareness of 2D and 3D shapes as we explore how shapes can be combined to make other shapes.

## Understanding the World

Our focus this term is on lifecycles and plants. We will be planting seeds, looking for flowers in our environment and how to look after them. We will explore foods we eat and where they come from in their journey from farm to fork. We will use our peeling and cutting skills to make our own chips as well as tasting fruits and vegetables.

## Expressive Arts and Design

We will use nature as inspiration for artwork, using a variety of materials to create pictures and collages. We will explore the work of the artist Claude Monet, create our own paintings of flowers and use wax crayons to make rubbings of the world around us. As well as having lots of opportunities to make our own designs and creations.

Books that will inspire our learning this term:

