



Holy Family Halewood
Foundation Stage
Understanding the World - Science
Nursery



Themes covered during the term:

- Observing mini-beasts and other animals
- Summer – features of summer / summer gardening

Learning Statements: Taken from DfE Development Matters 2021

EYFS Statutory Educational Programme:

'Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them'.

3 and 4-year-olds will be learning to:

- Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.
- Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.

Children in Reception will be learning to:

- Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live.

Core Vocabulary

- Summer
- Change
- hot
- Sunshine
- Garden
- Look after
- Mini-beast
- Bug hotel

Learning Opportunities

- Summer investigation table
- Maintaining outdoor Bug Hotel – maintaining healthy habitat for mini-beasts.
- Exploring outdoor bug hotel – verbally recording mini-beasts observed.
- Mini beasts tuff tray
- Experiencing variety of seasonal weather and natural materials during outdoor provision

Continuous Provision:

Equipment and resources continuously available to support Science:

- Outdoor area – natural surroundings
- Bug Hotel
- Investigative equipment (magnifying glasses etc)
- Mini- beasts books
- Summer theme table

Children's Interests:

Examples of children's interest to support these objectives and themes could include:

- Mini-beast adventures with Jess (cbeebies)
- Gardening / flolwers

Yearly events during the term that support themes:

- Summer holidays
- Summer solstice

