

# Bluebell (Nursery) Curriculum overview Summer 1 2026

## RE (To Know You More Clearly)

### To the End of the Earth

Children will learn about Pentecost and the Holy Spirit. Children will also learn that a Parish family comes together to celebrate special times and with people who are special to them, just like Jesus did.

## Physical development

**Fine motor skills:** Children will be practising scissor skills and using their non-dominant hand to hold paper while the other hand cuts.

**Gross motor skills:** Children will be practising making lines and circles pivoting from their shoulder and elbow

## Personal, Social & Emotional development

**Managing feelings and behaviour,**  
**making relationships, self confidence and self awareness.**

Children will be learning to recognise how others may be feeling and how to respond in situations through developing their skills of negotiations and compromise through books and during play.

## Communication & Language

### Speaking, listening and understanding:

Children will be listening to stories, then answering recall questions about what has been read to them with a focus on 'what', 'where' and 'why' questions. They will be working on following two step instructions such as hang your coat up and then sit on the carpet.

## English

**Reading:** We will be listening to a range of rhyming stories and beginning to recognise words that rhyme.

**Writing:** We will be beginning to use lines and circles to draw pictures that are becoming more recognisable, such as people with facial features.

**Phonics:** We are beginning to recognise words and objects that start with the same sound.

## Maths

Children will be looking at and creating their own basic repeating patterns. We will also be focusing on taking up to 5 objects from a larger group of objects and beginning to recognise numerals to 5.

## Understanding the world

Children will be looking at the life cycle of plants and we will grow some plants from seed to find out what plants need to grow. We will continue to care for our new plants in our outdoor space.

## Expressive arts and design

The children will be supported during play, indoors and outdoors, to create props to extend their play and use various construction materials to create spaces and enclosures.

## Events & celebrations

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April: Return to school

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday

Monday. **School is closed.**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May: Last day of half-term

Stay and Pay – Date to be confirmed

Keep your eye on the school website

## Learning in the environment

During the summer months we will be supporting the children to water the flower beds and begin to recognise weeds that we want to remove to keep our flower beds looking their best. We will be using our outdoors space to enhance and complement our learning with the use of outdoor large block play, our mud kitchen and sand pit.

## Learning Life-skills

At this point in the year, we start to prepare the children for transition of some of their friends leaving for Reception class. We talk a lot about change being part of our journey in school and we look at some of the things that will change such as which carpet we will sit at or where we will hang our coats.

## Family Learning

As ever, support at home with talking with children about what they have been doing, sharing stories, counting objects around the house and involving them in daily routines all have a massive positive impact on your child.

