

Pre-Reception Curriculum Map 2021/2022

North Bridge House Nursery & Pre-Prep West Hampstead

	SUMMER 1
	Growing and changing Pre-Reception children will explore the life cycles of plants and animals. We will make first-hand observations of how these living things grow and change.
Communication and Language	 The children will use language to express their ideas and opinions and demonstrate developed listening and attention skills. To pay attention to more than one thing at a time, which can be difficult. To understand a question or an instruction that has two parts. To use longer sentences of four to six words. To develop understanding of 'why' and 'how' questions. To begin to express a point of view and begin to debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words.
Maths	 Children in Pre-Reception will revisit and extend previous learning on shape, measurement and number. To talk about and explore 2D shapes using informal and mathematical language: 'sides', 'corners', 'straight', 'flat' and 'round'. To make comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity. Experiment with their own symbols and marks as well as numerals. To develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects without having to count them individually. To talk about, identify and create ABAB patterns.
Literacy	 Children will continue to develop their phonological awareness and build their understand of the five key concepts about print. To understand we sequence stories across pages. To name the different parts of a book. To write some letters accurately. To understand that we read English text from left to right. To use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing.
Expressive Arts and Design	 The children will be given different opportunities to express their ideas and feelings through creative means. To make imaginative and complex 'small worlds' with a range of materials. To sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. To draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face. To play instruments with increased control to express their feelings and ideas. To develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.
Understanding the World	 The children will find out about the life cycles of plants and animals from first-hand experiences. They will make observations about the changes that take place. To plant seeds and care for growing plants. To begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all the living things. To understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal. To talk about changes they notice. To explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties.

Physical Development	 The children will continue to develop the gross and fine motor skills needed to handle tools with more accuracy and build their independence. To increasingly be able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm. To use one-handed tools and equipment. To use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. To match their developing physical skills to tasks and activities in the setting, for example, they decide whether to crawl, walk or run across a plank depending on its length and width. To be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	 Children in Pre-Reception become more independent in meeting their own needs and develop strategies for solving problems. To develop appropriate ways of being assertive. To find solutions to conflicts and rivalries. To understand gradually how others might be feeling. To become increasingly independent in meeting their own needs. To make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing.