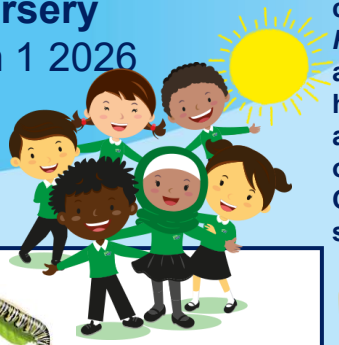
Newsletter

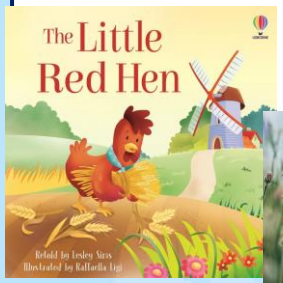
Team Nursery

Sumer term 1 2026



Curriculum overview

During our Summer Term 1, we are learning an abundance of different topics linking to lifecycles, farm foods and how they end up in our food, through the story of The Little Red Hen, beginning to learn about the lifecycle of a caterpillar and learning all about how we can keep ourselves healthy, as well as healthy habits (physical health and hygiene). The season during this half term will be 'Spring', and we will begin venturing into 'Summer'.



Rocket Readers

Let us know when you have read at home with your child and we will add a raffle into the Reading Jar. At the end of the week, we will pick a name out, and the winner will choose a book!

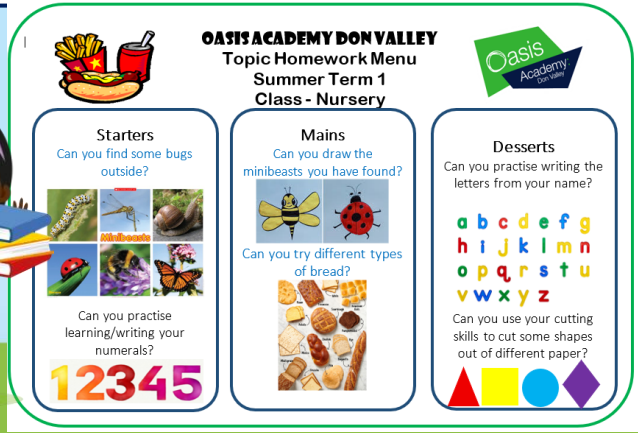
Personal Development

In Personal Development we will continue to recap British Values of *Respect* and *Tolerance.* We will look at *self-control and humble* our habitudes, recapping what Hopeful and Joyful look like, reminding ourselves about patience and Compassion, whilst learning through stories and play.

Home learning

Help at home by….

- Reading at home with your child
- Talking at home with your child – this can be in any language! Talking and engaging in conversation means that children can learn the skills of talking with others.
- Completing the homework menu – this will come out to you via Tapestry, and MCAS.
- Mark making and drawing will develop children's talking skills, as well as pencil control and attention levels.
- Practicing letters in their name, using the slips Miss De Sousa gave out at parents evening.



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Topic Homework Menu
Summer Term 1
Class - Nursery

Starters
Can you find some bugs outside?

Can you practise learning/writing your numerals?
12345

Mains
Can you draw the minibeasts you have found?

Can you try different types of bread?

Desserts
Can you practise writing the letters from your name?

a b c d e f g
h i j k l m n
o p q r s t u
v w x y z

Can you use your cutting skills to cut some shapes out of different paper?

Good News

We have had a wonderful time during our Spring 2 half term! Children have been exploring planting, and growing a bean, we have looked at what happens during Spring and learnt all about Eid and Easter! We have been baking and taking turns to share. Another excellent half term!

Maths and English

In Maths we will begin subitising to the number 3 and begin subitising the number 4. We will learn all about 5 and begin sorting numbers 1 – 5. We will learn what one more and one less of the numbers are, and delving deeper into shapes!

In English, we will continue to learn about lifecycles, beginning with the lifecycle of a human and progressing onto the lifecycle of a caterpillar. We will delve deeper into The Little Red Hen and learn how bread is made! We will learn healthy habits, such as the benefits of a good night's sleep, as well as how to look after ourselves.

Events and Key Dates

13th April 2026 – Returning to school
16th April 2026 – National offer day – what school will your child be going to for their Reception year?
4th May 2026 – Public/Bank holiday
19th May 2026 – Stay and Play

If your child is attending our Reception in September:
18th May 2026 – Reception parent welcome evening at 4:30pm.