

# Northwood Primary School

## Early Years Newsletter



Curriculum Information - Topics - Nursery					
Autumn 1 2018	Autumn 2 2018	Spring 1 2019	Spring 2 2019	Summer 1 2019	Summer 2 2019
Marvellous Me	Antarctica	Mini-Beasts Frog Life Cycle	Space	Plant Growth	Animals
Curriculum Information - Topics - Reception					
Autumn 1 2018	Autumn 2 2018	Spring 1 2019	Spring 2 2019	Summer 1 2019	Summer 2 2019
Ourselves	Africa	Dinosaurs	Animals and their Babies Plants and Growth	Transport and Travel	By the Seaside
Homework Timetable - Nursery					
	Issued		Returned to School		
Home School Diary	Friday		Wednesday		
Reading/Library Book	Friday		Wednesday		
Homework Timetable - Reception					
	Issued		Returned to School		
Home School Diary	Friday		Wednesday		
Reading Book	Daily		Daily		
Reception Phonic Homework	Friday		Wednesday		
Creative Homework	Half Termly				



### Harvest Festival

Early Years pupils enjoyed an educational visit from Morvyn and Emma from Northlands Church. All pupils listened attentively during the visit. The children learnt about the many different fruits and vegetables that are available from across the world. Pupils helped to produce a rainbow world and matched the fruits and vegetables on the floor map to the countries of origin. The children also enjoyed tasting the fruits and describing their flavours

using developing vocabulary. Pupils also spent a little time reflecting on people less fortunate than themselves who do not have enough food to eat. Thank you to Morvyn and Emma for giving generously of their time.

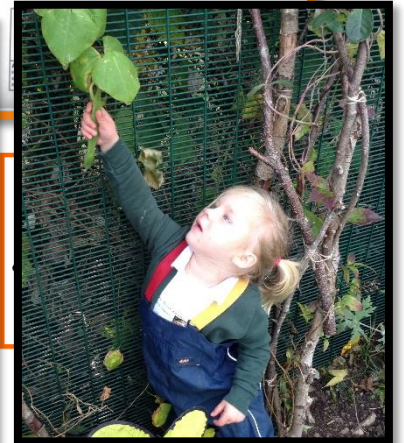


### Nursery Harvesting

Nursery pupils have tended to the vegetable allotment with the upmost of care. Latterly, they took part in the harvesting of the vegetables. A variety of vegetables were harvested from the garden including: leeks, onions, carrots, pumpkins, peppers, tomatoes and runner beans. Pupils enjoyed washing the vegetables and helping to make vegetable soup, they also engaged in creative craft activities using the vegetables and particularly enjoyed vegetable printing. After the harvesting had ended, pupils embarked upon learning about winter vegetables. They are beginning



to acquire an increased awareness of the annual cycle of growth. Pupils were keen to tend to the soil in the beds for preparation of the ground for spring cabbage plants and onion bulbs.



### Jolly Phonics

Reception children have embarked upon the Jolly Phonic teaching program. The pupils have greatly enjoyed learning to recognise, sound and write sounds/letters. Every letter that pupils encounter will be introduced through a Jolly Phonic story, a Jolly Jingle, a phonic action and the correct enunciation of the sound. This teaching program is multi-sensory and provides the opportunity for pupils to use all senses to provide deep learning. Below Miss Sanderson is teaching pupils the grapheme/letter n. Pupils will have explored the story of the noisy plane that soars up in the sky making an 'nnnnnn' sound. The action demonstrated by Miss Sanderson is the Jolly Phonic action for the noisy plane. Pupils will also begin to correctly form the target letter and will begin to blend sounds to read simple words and decode words to spell. So far the pupils have encountered the letters: s, a, t, p, i, n, ck.

