

Key Diary Dates

School Opens

Monday 5th June

Fluoride Varnish Team

Thursday 8th July

Eid Celebration

W/C 26th June

Seaside Trip for Families

Wednesday 5th July

Parent Consultation Week

Monday 17th July

Leaver's Celebration

Wednesday 19th July

School Closes for Summer Holiday

Friday 21st July

Dance for Life every Wednesday

Look out for dates for family cooking sessions linked to our Recipe of the Month



Download the **50 things to do before you're five** app.

Look out for the 50 things activities on our weekly 'What's Happening'

<https://bradford.50thingstodo.org/app/os#!/welcome-2>

Download the Learning Journals app.

<https://learningjournals.co.uk/logging-in/>



You can share things your child enjoys doing and photographs of your child's learning at home too.

Be prepared for the weather

Please ensure you send your child with a named sun hat and with sun cream applied as the weather starts to warm up!



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This Term in Blue, Green & Purple Room



Summer 2 2023

More detailed plans are done on a weekly basis. These are displayed for you to view but please ask if you would like your own copy. We will also keep you updated in our weekly 'What's Happening'.

Jeśli potrzebujesz tłumaczenia na język polski użyj numeru.

যদি এই অনুবাদ বাংলায় চান তাহলে উপরের সংখ্যায় যোগাযোগ করুন.

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Extending Children's Knowledge Following children's interests

Where do minibeasts live?

The children are interested in the different insects that they have found in our garden area; worms, spiders, woodlice. We will extend this interest by investigating the places we find insects and thinking about the conditions they like to live in. We will go on minibeast hunts and use tables, tallies and charts to capture and record our findings.



We will take photographs, use non-fiction books and technology to learn about them and how to develop their habitats. We will introduce new vocabulary to categorise types of minibeasts and learn about life cycles.

Holidays and Travel

The children have been talking about trips and holidays they have been on or are planning to take. The children recently used chairs to create an aeroplane and we will extend this creativity through construction



and role play areas. We will support this interest by looking at maps of the UK and the world and we will think about where we might like to visit. We will encourage the children to write lists and make tickets for trips and passports, thinking of all things you need to take with you.

We will talk about different types of climates and select the appropriate clothing for the weather. We will use an atlas and other non-fiction books to look at photographs of different countries and talk about cultural differences.

Introducing New Knowledge and Skills This is what we will teach the children

Our Core stories for this half term include lots of rhyme. Rhyming helps children learn about words, sounds and language formation. Hearing and using rhyme, rhythm and repetition helps children develop early literacy skills. The repetition of words, ideas and skills is important for early brain development, as it creates secure foundations for early reading.

Core Story in Green and Blue Room

We will read this funny book and listen to the rhyming pairs of words that we will teach the children to recall and then devise their own rhyming couples. The text pairs animals with furniture and we will play matching games with small world props to support children to develop their own ideas linked to the book.



Core Story in Purple and Orange Room

The strong rhythm and rhyme in this story will support the children to name and use animal props to retell the story. We will encourage the children to join in as we familiarise ourselves with the story. We will use Makaton signs and symbols and technology to support communication.



Butterfly Metamorphosis

In order to enhance the children's understanding of life cycles we will watch tiny caterpillars grow and change into chrysalis and emerge into butterflies. The process will take 2 weeks.



We will teach the children new words by encouraging them to ask questions and tell us what they notice before we release the butterflies in to our garden.

Things you can do to support your child's learning

Ideas to support Literacy

- Read signs to your child when you are out and about walking or in the car.
- Tell your child what you are writing as you write a shopping list, note, letter or greetings card. Give them a pen and paper so they can copy you.
- Set up a pretend shop where your child can read the labels on packets and boxes. Use cereals and tins from your cupboard.
- Make a name card for your child and let them use it to copy write their name themselves.

Ideas to support Mathematics

- Point out numerals on road signs, doors, buses and at things at home.
- Count your steps together as you go for a walk.
- Write numbers on used plastic bottles to create skittles. Read out the number that gets knocked down.
- Build together with Lego, Duplo or old cardboard boxes and use words like tall and long.
- Name shapes that you see around the house, such as a rectangle door or a square window.

Being School Ready

We will begin to talk to your child about moving to their new school and reception class. We will look at the different school logos and uniforms to support your child to be ready for moving on to their new school. Please talk to your child's Key Person if you would like some ideas on preparing your child for their new school.

