



Colvestone Primary School: Summer EYFS Topic - Growing							
Summer I	EYFS Weekly Topic Theme	Core books	Literacy	Mathematics	Expressive Arts and Design	Understanding the World	Events
Week 1 17.04.2023	Life cycles: Plants Planting beans Seasons: Spring	‘Jack and the Beanstalk’ ‘Jasper’s Beanstalk’ by Nick Butterworth.	Retell and sequence the Jack and the beanstalk story. Label plants outside, and seeds planted.	To 20 and beyond: Building numbers beyond 10.	Role Play: Jack and the Beanstalk Castle	How do plants grow? Plant beans and vegetable seeds. Record growth in a bean diary.	Inset day 17/04/23 
Week 2 24.04.2023	Plants: Flowers Planting seeds Seasons: Weather	‘The Tiny Seed’ by Eric Carle. ‘Camille and the Sunflowers: A story about Vincent Van Gogh’ by Laurence Anholt.	Instruction: How to plant a seed. Label plants and seeds planted outside.	To 20 and beyond: Counting patterns beyond 10.	Artist: Van Gogh Still life sunflower painting. Georgia O’Keefe – flower paintings Role play: garden centre / florist	Life cycles: Seeds to plants. Plant flower seeds.	
Week 3 01.05.2023	Insects and mini-beasts: Bees and ladybirds	‘Bee: Nature’s Tiny Miracle’ by Britta Teckentrup. ‘Lucy Ladybird’ by Sharon King-Chai.	Ladybird life cycle diary.	Find my Pattern: Doubling: Ladybird spots.	Design and make mini-beast houses.	How do insects help our plants? Bees – pollination. Ladybird life cycle: Eggs, larvae, pupa and adult.	Bank Holiday 01.05.2023
Week 4 08.05.2023	Insects and mini-beasts: Caterpillar - butterfly life cycle.	‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’ by Eric Carle.	Caterpillar diary. Book making: Creating whole class big book – On Monday he ate.....	Spatial reasoning 1: Match, rotate, manipulate.	3d caterpillar models. Caterpillar printing. Butterfly – symmetry prints.	Life cycle of a caterpillar. Observe caterpillar growth in the class.	King’s Coronation Bank Holiday 08.05.2023
Week 5 15.05.2023	Plants: Trees.	‘We Planted a Tree’ by Diane Muldrow. ‘Tree: Seasons come, seasons go’ by Britta Teckentrup. ‘Greta and the Giants’ by Zoe Tucker.	Write sentences to describe the seasons in relation to a tree.	First, then, now: Adding More, Taking Away.	Creating art using nature. Artist: Andy Goldsworthy; James Brunt	Life cycle of a tree. The four seasons.	
Week 6 22.05.2023	Pond life: Frogs.	‘Growing Frogs’ by Vivian French. ‘Tadpoles Promise’ by Jeanne Willis. ‘Tad’ by Benji Davies. ‘Grumpy Frog’ by Ed Vere.	Write sentences to describe the life cycle of a frog.	Spatial Reasoning 2: Compose and Decompose	Arts & Design focus: Monet	Frog life cycle. Pond dipping.	

