

Communication and Language

We will develop new vocabulary as we talk about our local environments (forest, field, village). We will continue to develop exciting vocab during Drawing Club. We will listen to other people's viewpoints and begin to ask questions. When talking about what we have done, we will explain what we did and how we did it.

Physical development

We will be using tools such as scissors to practice cutting curved lines and irregular shapes to consolidate previous skills. We will practice using vegetable peelers and soft sticks in the forest. We will be using playdough to develop our fine motor skills. We will develop our gross motor skills through our play in the forest, on the field and playground – climbing, running, jumping and riding bikes.

Our Forest

Early Years
Summer 1 2026

Personal and social development

We will talk about belonging to a community – our school, our village, Cornwall and how that makes us feel. We will continue to talk about keeping ourselves safe, particularly in terms of sun safety. We will be noticing how we are changing and growing.

Literacy

In Phonics we will continue to teach more complex words that use the sounds we have learnt. We will continue practicing writing letters using the correct formation and spell more complex words, including non-decodable words. We will continue to make books and take part in Drawing Club to develop our love of writing.

Maths

We will look at the composition of numbers up to 10 and comparing quantities. We will continue to work on subitising (knowing a quantity without counting). We will be counting forwards and backwards, and learning to recognise numerals. We will build with 3D shapes and explore their properties.

Understanding of the world

We will be looking at how our forest is changing and talking about the seasons and weather. We will be talking about stories that are special to our local area. We will be learning about how to get from one place to another, following simple directions and maps.

Expressive arts and design

The children will be looking at the work of many artists from around the world as inspiration for their own work. We will focus on Andy Goldsworthy as an artist who uses natural materials to create art.