

**Nursery**  
**Parent Curriculum Letter**  
**Spring Term 2 - 2026**



Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term we are looking forward to some great opportunities for learning in Nursery. With the onset of spring, we hope to be able see signs of change in the outdoor area, observe how our bulbs are growing and grow our own individual plants. World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March, so we will be taking part in lots of fun activities linked to different books and all the children are invited to come in dressed up as a character from a book to celebrate. We look forward to seeing what characters they choose to be! Finally, with Mother's Day and Easter this term, we will also be developing our creative skills by making cards and designing Easter eggs.

If you have any queries or concerns, you can contact us on our class email -

[nursery@gadevalley.herts.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@gadevalley.herts.sch.uk), however please be aware that a response may take up to 48 hours as we do not monitor emails during nursery hours. If your query is urgent, please contact the school office on 01442 391324.

Thank you for all your support!

Best Wishes,

Mrs Wiltshire, Mrs Mayes, Mrs Walker & Miss Heritage

**Personal,  
Social &  
Emotional  
Development**

Theme: Healthy Me! During this topic, the pupils will be learning what the word 'healthy' means. This will include, being able to name some parts of their body, recognising healthy food and understanding how exercise, sleep and hygiene are important for helping us to stay healthy.

We will continue to choose a different pupil each week to be our CHAMP of the Week and take Benson home. We look forward to seeing photos of Benson uploaded to Tapestry.

**Communicati  
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Language**

We will continue to use a story, rhyme or song as the basis for our group activities each week, encouraging the pupils to retell the story in their own words and join in with repeated refrains in our stories and rhymes. The pupils will have opportunities to begin predicting what might happen next and will try to think of questions that they could ask about the stories and find out the answers to them through discussion.

Key Text: There's a Monster in Your Book by Tom Fletcher

**Literacy**

Through our 'Book of the Week', we will continue to encourage the pupils to create their own props to support and extend their role-play and we will be supporting them to begin writing their own names on any work they do in class or pictures they wish to bring home. In Phonics, we will continue working through the different aspects of Phase 1 Letters and Sounds which include rhyme and rhythm, listening to different instrumental/environmental sounds and using alliteration.

Key Text: Duck in a Truck by Jez Alborough

<b>Maths</b>	We will continue our work on recognising numerals and matching amounts to them in the various group and Busy Finger activities we do each week. We will also encourage the pupils to use their mathematical language in their play and see if they can mark make to represent numbers and amounts. We will use our work on growing to encourage comparisons and the use of language related to size and shape. Key Text: Jasper's beanstalk by Nick Butterworth.
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<b>Understanding of the World</b>	Now that Spring is here, we will be thinking about changes in the seasons and will be looking closely at the plants and flowers growing in the woods and nursery garden. The pupils will have the opportunity to grow their own beanstalks, thinking about what plants need to live and investigating how they change and grow over time
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<b>Expressive Arts and Design</b>	With Mother's Day and Easter this term we will be able to use our creative skills to make cards and design eggs. The pupils will also continue to be encouraged to use their creative skills both indoors and outside. During our Music sessions, the pupils we will be listening to different types of music and thinking about how the music makes them feel. The pupils will also be encouraged to try making their own music with the instruments available both indoors and outside, during their Active Learning time. Key Text: We're Going on an Egg Hunt by Laura Hughes.
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<b>Physical Development</b>	The pupils will be learning to develop their ball skills. These skills will include rolling and throwing to a target, bouncing and catching with their hands and dribbling and kicking with their feet. The pupils will have many opportunities to further develop their fine and gross motor skills through their games, using a variety of equipment, both independently and with a partner or team.
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<b>Reading at Home</b>	Pupils will continue to choose a book each Monday to bring home and share with you. Please sign and date your child's Home Learning Book every time you share a book with them (no more than 7 times in a week). If the children share a book at home 5 times in a week, their Golden Ticket will be entered into the whole school Willy Wonka Reading draw on Friday. Many Pupils have now been awarded with their Red 50 and Bronze 100, and are now working towards their Silver 150 Reads Certificates and Gold 200 reads award. Congratulations!
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<b>Important Dates</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday 2nd March- Friday 6th March- Book Week</li> <li>• Tuesday 3rd March- GVSA Book Sale at 3:15pm</li> <li>• <b>Thursday 5th March- World Book Day: dress up as your favourite book character, author or illustrator.</b></li> <li>• Tuesday 10th March- Nursery Parent Teacher Consultations (4pm-7pm)</li> <li>• Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March- Nursery Parent Teacher Consultations (8:00am-10:30am)</li> <li>• Friday 27th March- End of Term <b>1pm finish.</b></li> <li>• Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April- Start of Summer Term.</li> </ul>	