



Year Group: Reception

Term: Spring 19

School Theme

Understanding the world: Looking closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change. Develop an understanding of growth. Talk about features of own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. Enjoys joining in with family customs.

Essential Question

Are all bears cuddly?

Authentic Outcome

Class assembly (dress up) to share our learning and to adopt a bear.

Trips, Experiences & Making Community Links

Our project begins with the children's teddy bears and then moves onto real bears. We hope to have parental/grand parent involvement when we talk about how bears have changed from when our grandparents were little with a visit to Sedgemoor care home. We have decided it is important that our children are involved in creating some part of the immersive space so we will set up a bear cave and teddy hospital. We will use the edible garden to start thinking about habitats and use natural resources for projects such as making bear masks and clay faces. In our visit to Chester Zoo we hope to meet Chester Zoo's two bears to prompt our learning about real bears. Our parents will be invited to hear our learning in our bear assembly where we will share our learning and perform The Bear Necessities.

Mini Outcomes

Launch – **CAL/UW/PSED/PD** Teddy bear hunt

Mini Outcome 1 **EAD/PSED/CAL**: Fundraising day – Poster competition

Mini Outcome 2 **LIT/MATHS/UW/PSED** Love my teddy learning theme day and visit to Sedgemoor care home to hear about older bears.

Mini Outcome 3 **CAL/UW** Visit to Chester zoo
Class assembly to share our learning **UW/PSED**

RE Curriculum Topics & Additional Links

All seven areas of our curriculum will be included.

Re links: Celebrating: Launch day. Gathering: Teddy bears picnic
Growing: In our time in edible garden and as we prepare for Easter

Immersive Environment

We will begin our project by having the middle room immersed as a polar themed linked to the North Pole.

A corner of the classroom will be immersed into a forest theme with a teddy bear den which will change into a bear cave. The children will set up a teddy bear hospital for role play.

We will also be involving the children in sharing ideas and collecting props/resources to immerse the hide in our edible garden. This will become our bear information and bear watch tower.

Technology

We will think about how technology has changed bears for instance in moving and talking toys. We will use computer to find out about real bears.

