



# Houghton Regis Primary School

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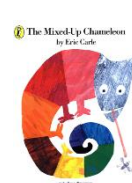
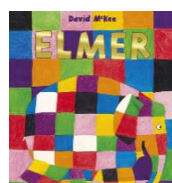
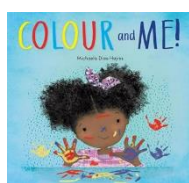
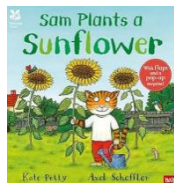
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## Nursery Curriculum Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term, our topic is *The World Around Me*. Children will explore their environment through hands-on, play-based learning.

Here are the books we will be looking at throughout the term:



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

Across nursery children will be supported in their Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED) by building positive relationships and developing an understanding of themselves and others. As they learn how to make new friends and explore similarities and differences between people, children will be encouraged to develop kindness, empathy, and respect for others. Sharing experiences, taking turns, and working together during activities such as role play and group discussions. Through supported interactions and adult guidance, children will grow in confidence, manage their feelings, and develop a positive sense of self.

### Communication and Language

Through our topic children will be supported to develop their communication and language skills through rich, meaningful experiences and interactions. As they explore their environment, we will discuss the world around us look practically at colours.

### Physical Development

Children will be supported in their physical development through a range of actives such as climbing, balancing, running, and explore outdoor environments. Investigating natural materials, making bird feeders, and taking part in sensory activities with sand, water, and ice will help to strengthen fine motor skills through actions such as pouring, scooping, threading, and manipulating objects. These activities also support hand-eye coordination and control.

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## Mathematics

The children will be supported in their mathematical development through a variety of hands-on, practical experiences. Activities such as counting eggs, carrots, or objects in the natural environment will help children develop number recognition and one-to-one correspondence. We will also look at different sizes, shapes and quantities, as well as to discuss concepts like more, less, heavy, and light.

## Understanding the World

Children will be supported in their understanding of the world by exploring people, places, and natural environments. They will notice features in their surroundings and begin to understand how environments can change over time, as well as show interest in different occupations. We will also be developing our questioning skills, making observations and begin to understand the world around us.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Through our topic children will be supported in their expressive arts and design by engaging in creative, hands-on experiences that encourage imagination and self-expression. Activities such as creating artwork about the world around us, building nests, or creating small-world scenes with natural materials allow children to explore different textures, colours, and materials. Through these activities, they will learn to express their ideas, feelings, and experiences in a variety of ways while building confidence, problem-solving skills, and an appreciation for the arts in the world around them.

## Key Dates for Nursery – Summer 1

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Bank Holiday – School closed to all
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026	Nursery parent workshop 9.15am-10am <b>or</b> 2.15pm-3pm

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

The Early Years Team

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