

PSE

Provision:

1. Work as a team to build a home for the Easter Bunny to live in.
2. Things we see in spring matching game
3. Springtime animals masks

Adult-led:

4. Circle time talk—pass a chick or lamb teddy around the circle and ask the children to tell you what they like about spring eg watching plants grow, colours etc.
5. Learn Five Little Chicks song and perform during Easter Bonnet Parade
6. Watch duck eggs hatch (summer term)
7. Spring themed bingo game—what do we see in spring?

Outdoors:

8. Work as a team to build a nest for birds using natural materials found in the garden.
9. Work as a team to find the spring time animals in the garden.
10. Go to the big field to make daisy chains.
11. Go on an egg hunt

Physical Development

Provision:

1. Fluffy Bunnies Finger gym
2. Explore the Jelly frog spawn
3. Hang spring pictures by the painting easel to inspire the children.
4. Gloop and eggs—filling and emptying containers
5. Develop scissors skills by creating a 2D chicken picture

Adult-led:

6. Create a blossom tree using card and tissue paper

Outdoors:

7. Different ways of moving like things we see in spring eg hop like a bunny.
8. Encourage the children to dress themselves in their wet suits.

Speech, Language and Communication

Provision:

1. Spring story stones in sand for the children to make up stories
2. Hungry Caterpillar role-play masks
3. Jack and the Beanstalk role-play

Adult-led:

4. Circle time—talk about the changes from winter to spring. Encourage the children to talk about things that grow.
5. Make pretend frog spawn using clear jelly and blueberries.
6. Spring sounds listening game

Outdoors:

7. Hide eggs in the garden and encourage the children to use positional language to describe where they are.
8. Go on a Spring walk and talk about all the signs of springtime
9. Garden Centre role-play

Reading links

The Very Hungry Caterpillar-Eric Carle
Jack and the Beanstalk-
The Rhyming Rabbit—Julia Donaldson
One Fluffy Baa Lamb & 10 Hairy Caterpillars—
Nick Sharrat
The Very Lazy Ladybird-Isobel Finn
The Very Busy Spider—Eric Carle

Curiosity

Cube

Spring artefacts
and objects

Start

Share the cracked
egg with the
children



Ending

Easter Bonnet
Parade

Investigation

Dye flowers
Planting beans
The life cycle of a frog /butterfly
Walking Rainbow
Finding mini-beasts

Vocab

Spring, warm, flowers, daisies, lambs,
chicks, bunny rabbits, farmer, growing,
insects, mini-beasts, Easter, tadpole, frog,
caterpillar, butterfly, spiders, eggs

Changes in Spring

Literacy

Provision:

1. Selection of spring, Easter and growing books
2. Mark-making with different natural objects
3. Runaway Pancake role-play for children to retell the story

Adult-led:

4. Share the signs of spring power point
5. Learn the frog theme rhyme
6. The Very Hungry Caterpillar story structure
7. Response to Hungry Caterpillar story

Outdoors:

8. Pretend to be the Runaway Pancake—story structure
9. Planting seeds sequence—follow instructions.

Understanding the World

Provision:

1. Provide the children with material to make cocoons— encourage them to retell the story of The Hungry Caterpillar
2. Match the correct clothes to the seasons sorting activity

Adult-led:

3. Match mothers with their babies game
4. The life cycle of a frog
5. The life cycle of a butterfly
6. Introduce the children to how plants grow—plant their own seeds
7. Walking Rainbow experiment—transferring colours from jar to jar.
8. Discuss important jobs in springtime eg farmers, water companies etc

Outdoors:

9. Look for signs of spring
10. Mini-beast hunting with magnifying glasses
11. Prepare the garden for planting and encourage the children to look after our flowers.

EAD

Provision:

1. Develop a spring small world area for the children to explore.
2. Role-play masks—Hungry Caterpillar/Jack and the Beanstalk

Adult-led:

3. Make Easter cards
4. Colour mixing—Walking Rainbow
5. Caterpillar pictures—pattern
6. Butterfly pictures—symmetry

Outdoors:

7. Painting with natural objects found in the garden.

Maths

Provision:

1. Springtime sensory maths tray for the children to explore number and quantity.
2. Spring shadow matching activity

Adult-led:

3. Learn and practise 5 Little Ducks song
4. Learn and practise 5 Little Bunnies song
5. 5 frame—5 special chicks/bunnies
6. Use 2D shape to create a chicken picture
7. Springtime ordering of size
8. Repeated patterns - create a caterpillar
9. Investigate size by making a Giant and Jack

Outdoors:

10. Can you make the caterpillar number line?
11. Mini-beast sort and counting

