

Poetry Overview FSU
I am the seed that grew the tree

As part of our coming together at the end of our Forest School session and reflection time, we use the book 'I am the seed that grew the tree'. This has a nature poem for every day of the year. We share the poems for that current week and use it to have a discussion about the aspects of nature that feature in the poems. This overview details which areas of the curriculum are covered by sharing the nature poems.

September (Term 1)	
Learning points covered:	Species: sandpiper, magpies, spiders, swallows, Trees and plants- acorn, fern, plums, apples, oak, heather, UTW concepts – morning dew, how spider's webs are made, how paper is made, bird migration, how many days in a year, pips and seeds, predators, wading birds, scavenger birds, seed dispersal, habitats, harvest
October (Term 1 and 2)	
Learning points covered:	Species: squirrels, hogs, geese, limpets, hawk, mice, hedgehogs, bats, owls. Trees and plants – horse chestnut, pumpkins, truffles. UTW concepts – scarecrows and their purpose, nocturnal animals, tree dwellers, endangered, predators, extinction, prey, birds of prey, weather changes, storms.
November (Term 2)	
Learning points covered:	Species: fox, quails, blackbird, sparrows, geese Trees and plants: pine trees UTW concepts – fog, thanksgiving, weather changing, predators, nocturnal, evergreen, migration, different types of rain.
December (Term 2)	
Learning points covered:	Species: dormouse, owls, fallow deer, Trees and plants: holly, ivy UTW concepts – hibernation, predators, omnivores, old wives tales, signs of winter, tides, snow, old wives tales, changes from day to night.

Term 3 and 4

January Term 3	
Learning points covered:	Species: swallow, blue tit, blackbird Trees and plants: Silver Birch tree UTW concepts – 12 months in a year, snow, translucent, features of winter, slush, short days in winter,
February Term 3	
Learning points covered:	Species: fox, sheep

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	Trees and plants: chestnut tree, snowdrops UTW concepts – thawing, signs of approaching spring, icicles, ravines, months of the year and how many days they all have, leap year.
March Term 4	
Learning points covered:	Species: cats, rabbits, ducks, wrens, crows, cows, pigeons Trees and plants: pansies, lilies, daffodils, crocuses, UTW concepts – seasons changing, spring approaching, germination of seeds, birds building nests, camouflage, different names for males and female animals. Omnivores, migration, livestock, mammals, herbivores, herd, amphibians, life cycles. Hibernation.

Term 5 and 6

April Term 4 and Term 5	
Learning points covered:	Species: pheasant, trout, woodpecker, foals and mares Trees and plants: primrose UTW concepts: April showers, rainbows, new growth, animal life cycles.
May Term 5	
Learning points covered:	Species: cockerel, badgers, ducks, caterpillars, frogs, herons Trees and plants: Nettles, tulips, dandelions, buttercups UTW concepts – May Day, the sun, full moon
June Term 6	
Learning points covered:	Species: butterflies, bees, worms, moles, snails, cats, insects, bugs UTW concepts – hotter weather, lighter nights, heliotropic plants, life cycles, migrating birds, nocturnal animals, historical names/uses for plants, the cycle of the Moon, the Sun being a star, dawn, poisonous plants, edible plants.
July Term 6	
Learning points covered:	Species: whales, moths Trees and plants: peas UTW concepts – shadows, the tide coming in and out, animals changing their shells, sunsets, darkness, the Moon, rivers