

Our Spring term topic is 'What's down at the bottom of your garden?'

We hope that this leaflet will give you some information about what your child will be learning about this term.

Please come and see us if you have any worries or any questions.

Many thanks for your support.

Miss Barnes and Mrs Huggins

A few reminders:

- The spelling tests for Year 1 and Year 2 will continue on Mondays so the blue spelling books need to be in every Monday. The new spelling lists come home every Wednesday.
- PE sessions are on a Monday and a Thursday afternoon and your child will need to wear their full P.E kit

English: In English, we will be looking at stories written by the same author (Nick Butterworth). We will be comparing these stories and then writing in the style of this author. After half-term, we will then go onto looking at features of non-chronological texts. We will then write our own non-chronological reports about minibeasts.

Top Tip: Have you got any books written by Nick Butterworth? Your child could bring these books in to also share with the class. You could look in a local library for books written by Nick Butterworth.

Maths: In Maths, Year 1 will look at 2D and 3D shapes and their properties before moving onto addition and subtraction of numbers within 20. After half-term, Year 1 will look at place value of numbers within 50.

Year 2 will continue to look at money before moving onto multiplication and division. After half-term, Year 2 will look at statistics and the different ways to represent data.

Reception children will be focusing on the numbers from 6 to 10 and continue to explore number through play based activities.

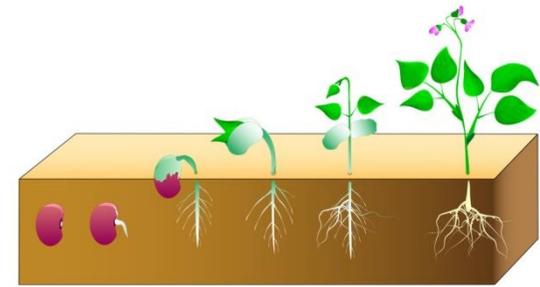
Topic: We will be exploring 'beans' in our topic lessons! We will be thinking about what beans are used for and where different beans grow in the world. We will then have a bean hunt around the school and we will go onto making our own simple maps of the school grounds.

In Art, the children will be looking at the work of Georgia O'Keeffe. Georgia O'Keeffe was famous for painting pictures of flowers. We will take our own up close photos of flowers and then use these photos to create our own representations of these flowers.

In PSHE, we will be talking about keeping safe in different situations. In Music, Year 1 and Year 2 will be receiving music tuition and they will be learning how to play the recorder.

Top Tip:

What sort of beans can you find supermarket? Try different beans and cook with different beans at home with your child. Talk about which ones they like the best and why.



Science: In Science, our learning will be linked to 'Plants.' We will be learning the names of different plants and trees, how to recognise them and investigate what they need to grow. We will learn the names of the parts of a plant and find out about the lifecycle of a plant.

The children will be planting their own bean and keeping a bean diary, so that they can observe the changes to their bean over the next few weeks.

Top tip:

What sort of plants and trees can you see when you are out and about? If you find any leaves, can you find out the name of the tree that they are from?

Can you draw a picture of your favourite plant or flower?

ICT: In ICT, we will be talking about how to

Top Tip: Talk about numbers in the environment with your child when you are out and about, such as on houses, road signs and in the supermarkets. What shapes can your child see at home and in the environment?

Some useful maths websites that you might like to look at with your child.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

[Games - KS1 Maths - BBC Bitesize](#)

stay safe on the internet. We will use the Purple Mash tool 2Paint to create artwork based on styles such as Impressionism, Pointillist Art and the work of Piet Mondrian.

RE: In RE, we will be looking at the religion of Islam. We will look at the beliefs that are important to Muslims and listen to stories which guide those beliefs.

