

Learning Together -Year 1. Spring Term 2

My topic this half-term is about:

Growing and plants



I am going to be learning:

- In **English** lessons, we will be continuing to re-tell and write traditional tales by Brother's Grimm such as Rumpelstiltskin. As part of our new topic on growing we will also learn the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and write an alternative setting for the story. We will also explore stories such as Titch, Jasper's Beanstalk and Oliver's Vegetables. When Book Week arrives, as a class we will be reading Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson.
- In **Maths** lessons, we will be learning to recognise and name a variety of 3D shapes and their properties and will continue to investigate multiplication using practical resources.
- In **Science**, we will be learning about the main parts of plants and will be planting our own beans and cress seeds and recording and measuring how well they grow.
- In **Religious Education** we will be learning the Easter story and understanding why is it such an important time of the year for Christians.
- In **Geography**, we will learn to identify the four countries in the UK and name their capital cities.
- In **D&T**, we will be designing and making our own bird scarers in the style of designer 'Helen Hopcroft' and we will use them in the school's gardening patch. In **Art** lessons, we will be painting our favourite book characters.

You could help me by:

- Asking me what I have learnt in school.
- Listening to me tell you the stories I have learnt with actions and listening to me read my home reading book at least 3 times a week.
- Practising counting in 2's, 5's and 10's with me and testing me on my doubles up to 10+10

Some reminders:

PE/Games lessons are on Wednesday and Friday.

In **PE** this half term we will be developing our balancing and co-ordination skills.

Children can change their reading book as soon as it has been read at home- they do this independently when they come into the classroom in the morning.

Tuesday is our day to visit the school library and on a Wednesday we invite parents into class at 2.50pm to read with their child until the end of the day.

'**Share my learning**' for Year 1 will be on Wednesday 14th March 2.45-3.10.

Spellings are given out on a Monday- please look for the slip of paper. The test is on a Friday - again please look for the red book so you can see how your child has done.

In year 1 we are promoting **independence**, please encourage your child to be as **independent** as they can with the daily routines at school.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to speak to Miss Pinnell.

Thank you for your continued support 😊