

Year 1 Summer Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome back everybody and I hope you have all enjoyed a fantastic Easter break. We only have five weeks in this half-term so I hope everybody has come back refreshed and ready to have lots of fun learning together!

I would like to introduce you to Miss Roe, who is a student teacher that will be working with our class during the summer term. I know that everybody will make her feel really welcome and I look forward to working alongside her to create a fantastic Summer term of learning for everyone.

Phonics:

The phonics screening assessment will soon be upon us (week commencing 10th June). Each child will be asked at some point during that week to read 40 words (both real and nonsense) and blend them correctly. I sent home practise materials in your Easter homework packs and will continue to send support materials home during the half-term.

Reading is the most important preparation for the test so make sure you are reading every night at home. If you have any questions about the test then please come and ask!

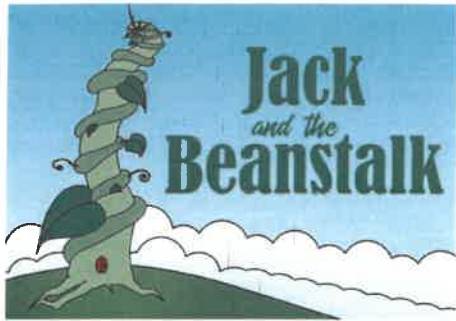


Please ensure your child has their reading book and diary at school every day. If your child's reading book needs changing then please remind them to put it in the 'change my book' box in the morning.

How tall can a sun flower grow?

Our theme this term is based around our science topic of plants and flowers. Within the first week back at school the children will be planting their own sunflower seed and we will be having a competition to see whose Sunflower can grow the tallest! Once the plants start growing, the children can take them home to care for them at home. All Sunflowers need to be back in the classroom on Thursday 23rd May so that we can see the winner with the tallest sun flower.





This half term we will be writing instructions about how to plant a sunflower following us planting them in the classroom.

We will be looking at the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and writing our own versions of the story. We will also be writing poems all about plants.

We will be spending lots of time outside of the classroom, observing and identifying the different plants and trees that surround our school, doing sketches and using watercolours to create some of the beautiful flowers that are all around us. We will be looking at 'Sunflowers' by Van Gogh as inspiration to create fantastic artwork.



Our science objective is being able to label the different parts of a plant and understand what their uses are. We will be dissecting different plants to have a closer look.

Spelling:

Throughout this half term we will be recapping previous sounds and ensuring all children can spell all of the **tricky words**. If children can spell these words in isolation then ask them to put them in a sentence because lots of children are misspelling these words when they are writing.

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the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Important dates for your diary

Wednesday 24 th April	Author- Gareth Baker- visit
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 23 rd May	Sunflower Competition - Sunflowers in the classroom.
Friday 24 th May	Last day of half-term
Monday 3 rd June	Back to school for Summer 2

Thank you for your continued support

Miss Beety

Mrs Vladev