



Year 2 Class Newsletter

Summer Term 1

Believe

Grow

Achieve



FLOWER POWER

THIS TERM'S LEARNING THEME:

FLOWER POWER

SUBJECT FOCUS: SCIENCE

Tiptoe through the tulips and let your senses discover the blooming foliage and enchanting fragrances of the flowers.

Round and round the mulberry bush we go, planting bulbs and seeds and watching them grow.

Explore the astounding world of the flower power, but be careful, there are some wild and dangerous plants out there that do some astonishing things – just don't touch!

Follow Jack up the beanstalk but beware of the giant. Everything could come crashing down!

Hello Parents!

I can't believe we're into our last term already! I hope you all had a very lovely Easter break and consumed a huge number of chocolate eggs!

This week we have launched our new topic – Flower Power. We have explored the flowers around our school grounds and photographed them, designed our own flowers and made big art and finally we've begun our green fingered activities by planting our bean seeds!

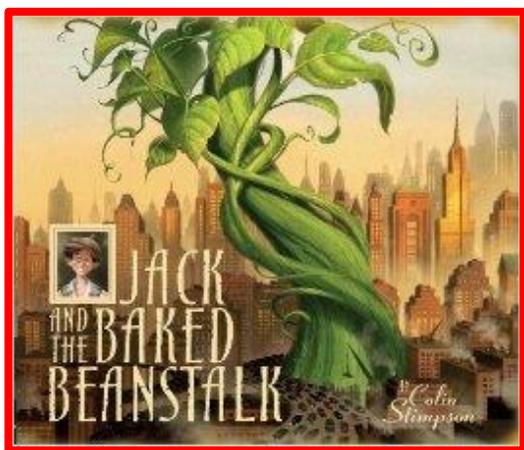
The children will be sitting their SATs tests throughout the month of May. The test papers include 2 reading papers, 2 maths papers (1 arithmetic & 1 reasoning), a spelling test and a punctuation and grammar test. Some of these will be administered as a whole class and others in small groups. I have spread the assessments out to avoid the children feeling tired or anxious. Please do ensure that children are in school on time, having had a lovely healthy breakfast and lots of sleep.

This term we will need some help in supervision during our swimming lessons. Please let myself or the office know if you are able to support us in this way.

This term, in maths lessons, we will be learning how to tell the time on analogue clocks. It is hugely beneficial if you practise this at home, prior to my teaching. Focus on telling time to the hour, half hour and quarter hour. Thank you.

As ever, do put a note in the learning logs or pop in to see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kindest Regards
Miss Fincham



KEY LINKED TEXT: Jack and the Baked Beanstalk by Colin Stimpson

ENGLISH:

Fiction – Writing an alternative story, diary entry and character description

Handwriting - Joining all letters

Spellings - Linked to year 2 spelling patterns.

SPAG – revision

(nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, proper nouns, commands, statements, exclamations, questions)

(commas in a list, apostrophes for possessions, apostrophes for contractions, capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks)

(expanded noun phrases, tenses, possession)

SCIENCE: Plants

DT: Healthy Eating – fruit smoothies

COMPUTING: Manipulating Data (excel)

PE: Athletics and Swimming

PSHE: Sex and Relationship Education

RE: What makes some places sacred?

Outdoor Learning: Orienteering and knots

Year 2 Mathematics Curriculum

Key areas of focus for this half-term are underlined.

Number and Place Value

- Recognise place value in two-digit numbers, e.g. knowing that the 1 in 17 represents
- Read and write numbers up to 100 as words
- Count in 2s, 3s and 5s
- Compare and order numbers up to 100
- Use the < and > symbols to represent the relative size of numbers

Calculations

- Recall number bonds up to 20 fluently
- Add and subtract numbers mentally and using objects, including two-digit numbers
- Show that adding two numbers can be done in any order, but subtracting cannot
- Recognise that addition and subtraction are inverse operations
- Learn the multiplication and division facts for the 2x, 5x and 10x tables
- Show that multiplying two numbers can be done in any order, but dividing cannot
- Solve problems using the x and ÷ symbols

Fractions

- Find $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ of an object or set of objects
- Find the answer to simple fraction problems, such as finding $\frac{1}{2}$ of 6

Measurements

- Use standard units to measure length (centimetres and metres), mass (grams and kilograms), temperature (degrees Celsius) and capacity (millilitres and litres)
- Use the £ and p symbols for money amounts
Combine numbers of coins to make a given value, for example to make 62 pence
- Tell the time to the nearest five minutes on an analogue clock
- Know the number of minutes in an hour and hours in a day

Shape

- Identify the number of sides and a line of symmetry on 2-d shapes
- Identify the number of faces, edges and vertices on 3-d shapes
Use mathematical language to describe position and direction, including rotations and turns

Graphs and Data

- Construct and understand simple graphs such as bar charts and pictograms