

Information for Parents and Carers

Class 1: Summer Term 2

“What grows in my garden?”

The focus of this half term’s work is learning about the plants and minibeasts that are found in the school garden and forest area. The children will learn the key vocabulary root, stem, leaf, flower, insect, minibeast, symmetry and life cycle.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term we are focussing on being healthy and transitions as we get ready to move into Class 2. In our Think Equal sessions, we are learning about showing empathy for other people and the environment.



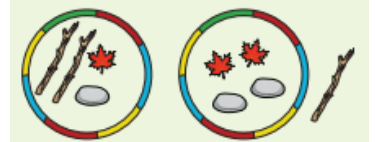
Communication, Language and Literacy

In communication we will be working on explaining our ideas and answers. Through our key texts we will learn about minibeasts and work on non-fiction writing. In Phonics we will be continuing to practise the skills of segmenting and blending with the digraphs we have learned.



Mathematics

In Maths we will be thinking about patterns, symmetry and positional language. We will explore sharing, doubling and grouping and use these strategies to help us solve number problems.



Physical Development

This term our PE session is outdoors when we will be learning about playing games with small equipment. (Thursday).

In Forest Fun we are going to search for minibeasts and plant seeds in our garden (Monday).

Please ensure that your child always has their outdoor PE kit and wellies in school as days can change because of poor weather.



Understanding the World

Throughout our topic work we will be finding out about the life cycles of plants and insects. We will find out what plants need to grow and label the main parts of a plant. During outdoor learning, we will find out how to care for minibeasts and insects.



Expressive Arts and Design

Our Art topic is sculpture when we will be creating our own model minibeasts. In DT we will be stitching a bookmark.

Our music topic is called ‘Sound stories’ in which we will explore using musical instruments to represent different aspects of nature.

This term our role plays are a ‘minibeast laboratory’ inside and a ‘garden centre’ outdoors.



Ways in which you can help at home

- * Listening to your child read every night and support them to learn the harder to read and spell words.
- * Learn 5 spellings for the Friday Spelling Test (in readiness for Year 1).
- * Spot plants and wildlife (birds, insects and minibeasts) in your local area.
- * Continue to upload photos of key events on Tapestry for show and tell.

Class 1 Dates for your diary:

- * 5th June– Class photos.
- * 5th June – Sports Day – weather permitting
- * 11th June – Outdoor Learning Day – weather permitting
- * 3rd July – Friezland Summer Friday 3.15-5.00pm
- * 10th July – Class 1 + 2 trip to Eureka, Halifax, more details to follow.
- * 17th July – Break up for Summer holiday