Believe **~** Learn **~** Grow

Spring Term 2

Wednesday 1st March 2023

Growing Green



Dear Class 1 Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all had a restful half term and are looking forward to Spring term 2 !

Please find attached a copy of this term’s topic web. This gives an outline of the teaching and learning experiences for this term which we hope will be helpful for you to support the children in their learning at home.

Topic:

For Term 4 our topic is called “Growing Green”. This is Science based topic plants and how they grow. Our big question is “What do we need to do to keep a plant alive?” and we have already had fun planting beans and watching them begin to grow in the classroom.

Our English topic of links in with the science as we look in more detail at the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. We will be learning how to write instructions for how to plant a seed. We are also looking forward to designing and making our own fruit salad.

Home Learning:

Reading: Many thanks for your continued support in reading with your child regularly during the week and returning the books to school daily.

Please remember to keep these books separate from water bottles as, once damaged, the group of books can no longer be used as there are not enough. A plastic folder for reading books has been provided as an extra layer of safety so please utilise this. If you need a new one let us know.

Spellings:

Spelling tests will still continue to be on a **Friday** with new spellings given out on a **Monday**. Your support is appreciated with helping your child to learn their spellings. Don’t forget this can be achieved in a variety of manners and a little practice a few times a week is a good way to retain the spelling knowledge.

Nippy Numbers:

We will continue with nippy numbers this term and the children are already showing more speed and confidence in their number work. Your support is appreciated in working at home with your child on their number facts so that they can rapidly recall number facts without using their fingers.

Phonics:

Phonics Screening Check

We will be holding, in conjunction with Year 2 , a Phonics Screening Check meeting on Tuesday 28th March at 3:15pm in Class 2. The first part of this meeting will be focused on strategies to help your child prepare for the Phonics Screening Check. The check will be held in June. If you are unable to make this meeting but have questions about this, please feel free to contact us beforehand so that we can help.

PE:

In addition to the ‘Golden Mile’ the children continue to have P.E. on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**. If your child wears earrings, these will need to be either removed for P.E. days or medical tape can be kept in their P.E. bag for your child to cover them up (the children will be responsible for applying and removing the tape). Any child with long hair must always have their hair tied back.

Values:

In Term 4 we will be learning about ‘justice’.

**J**udging what is right

**U**nderstanding what is fair

**S**tanding up for those who need help

**T**rying to listen to both sides

**I**nformed and wise decisions

**C**aring enough to take action

**E**qual opportunities for all.

Thank you in advance for your support.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to phone or make an appointment via the School Office.

Mrs Jones, Mrs dos Santos, Mrs Butler, Mrs Audis and Mrs Millington