



Believe ~ Learn ~ Grow

Spring Term 2

Growing Green



Dear Hazel Class 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 a Science based topic and we will be observing plants and trees, how they grow and we will learn to name their different parts. We will investigate how to plant beans and what they need to grow. As you are already aware, we are very excited about our trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park on Tuesday 1st April. We will have the opportunity to look at different plant types there and look forward to a talk based on what plants need to grow. (We are also very excited to see the Rhinos as we have written fantastic reports about them last term!) We will send more details about the trip nearer to the time.

Our English topic links with 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 experimenting with leaf printing using templates in Art.

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 please let us know.

Spellings:

Spelling tests will still continue to be on a **Friday** with new spellings given out on a Friday or 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. In order to ensure we get the tests marked and sent out by Wednesday we will hold the test on a Tuesday morning instead of Wednesday. 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.

PE:

In addition to the 'Golden Mile' the children continue to have P.E. on **Mondays 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 all the time. This is for safety and hygiene reasons.

Value:

In Term 4 we will be learning about 'Justice'.

Judging what is right

Understanding what is fair

Standing up for those who need help

Trying to listen to both sides

Informed and wise decisions

Caring enough to take action

Equal 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.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jones, Mrs Kinnersley, Ms Grieve and Miss Traynor