

# This half term Year 1/2 are learning about:

## The Secret Life of Plants



### English

Year 1

In English we are looking at the story The Little Red Hen where we will be looking at and using question marks and exclamation marks. Following this we will be looking at instructions for how to plant a seed using time adverbials.

Year 2

In English this term, we will be looking at instructional writing and focusing upon the use of present tense, adverbs, commas and commands. Following on from this, we will be learning about 'Rags to Riches' story types with an adaptation of Jack and the

### Science – Plants

Year 1 will be learning to name different wild and garden plants and trees and gather data on which plants we find. We will learn about deciduous and evergreen trees, labelling and locating the different parts of a flowers and trees.

Year 2

This unit we will be observing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants and we will be finding out what plants need to grow and stay healthy. We will be introducing the concept of fair testing

### Maths



Year 1

We are learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will be looking at multiplication as 'groups of' and equal parts. Learning to read and draw arrays for different multiplication problems. After this, we will be learning about division through sharing equal groups. We will also be learning about Fractions.

Year 2

We are learning to tell the time this term. We will be revising o'clock and half past before moving on to quarter past and to. After this, we will be measuring in centimetres and metres and looking at Mass to see how heavy objects are. We are also learning about temperature, volume and reading and interpreting picture graphs. We will continue to revise our four

### History and Geography

In History, we will be learning about Lady Jane Grey and how she is a significant person in history. We will also learn how she was from Leicester.

In Geography, we will be learning about the countries and capital cities that make up the United Kingdom. Identifying where they are in the UK and world and their characteristics and weather patterns. We will be learning about if a country is hot or cold in relation to the equator and North and South poles.

## DT

We will be discovering where food comes from, name and sort foods in the Eatwell guide. We will then design and prepare our own healthy meal.

## PE

Year 1

In PE we will be improving their dance skills using Val Sabin's 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

Year 2

In PE, we will be focussing upon our throwing and aiming skills and apply these to games of dodgeball. In gymnastics, we will continue to develop our rolls, jumps, balances and ways of travelling styles.



### Yr 1 Key Vocabulary

This term, we are learning the following words:

- deciduous
- diet
- compare
- equal
- observe

### Yr 2 Key Vocabulary

This term, we are learning the following words:

- fair
- compare
- balanced
- diet
- observe

## RE



Year 1

This term we will begin with the topic called 'Meals' and then moving onto our topic of 'Changes'. Here we will look at how we change and grow and learn about the events of Lent and Holy Week.

Year 2

This term we look at the Eucharist and parts of the Mass in the unit Thanksgiving and then we will moving on to the topic of 'Opportunities'. Here we will look at the events of Lent and Holy Week and develop our understanding of these important days within the Liturgical Year.

## Music



Year 2

This term we will looking at 'The Friendship Song'. They will focus on finding the pulse and beats of various friendship songs. They will also give feedback (what they liked / didn't like ) as they appraise new musical styles.

## Computing



Year 1

This term we will continue to use Purple Mash as well as learning how to code using a simple program.

## Things to do at home

- Regular reading with your child. When they have finished the book, ask them questions about what they have read.
- Use your reading journal to read and spell sight words.
- Year 1 count in 2,5 and 10's.
- Year 1 - Learn your sight words- they will help with your reading and writing.
- Year 2: Practise the 2, 5, and 10 times tables
- Year 2 Complete homework tasks weekly
- Year 2 – Practise reading and writing your spellings