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Changes



Year 1 - Summer Term 2 2022

Science: Plants – comparing, identifying and naming plants, trees, flowers and looking at growing and changes.

Art and Design: Evaluating and Designing – looking at different artists and learning how to evaluate and adapt a piece of art work.

New Technologies: Introduction to Animation – completing commands to create, test and debug a simple program.

P.E: Team Building – understanding rules of a game, working with others, communicating ideas and drawing diagrams and maps.

Core Text: Grandma Bird

Glossary

The key words we will need to be able to use, in both discussion and in our writing:

Word	Definition
Tree	
Plant	
Flower	
Stem	
Leaf	
Petal	
Root	
Seeds	
Environment	
Program	
Debug	
Technology	
Instructions	
Rules	
Evaluating	
Artist	
Differences	
Similarities	

Please help your child to complete the glossary and be able to use and spell the words. Feel free to add any additional topic related vocabulary that you think of.

During this half term, your child will be studying subjects under the theme of 'Growing & Changes'

They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities, which include:

- Learning about the responsibility of taking care of all living things
- Learning about life cycles of various animals and plants
- Growing and caring for their own plants
- Planting seeds in our new planting boxes
- Visiting the pond (upper building) to look at animals and plants
- Learning about what happens in Year 2
- Looking at the book 'Grandma Bird' in Book Talk sessions

Your child needs your help and involvement.

Please get involved by:

- Take your children to the library to research information about growing, plants and life-cycles
- Discussing how to care for their own pets and think about how their pets have grown and changed
- Research a favourite animal and look at its life cycle
- Talk to your child about going to Year 2 and what they are looking forward to
- Research some of the words in the glossary box
- Support with a research project on growing and changes (information will be sent out in the first homework flyer)

Values Education

• Each month we will focus on a new value which we will develop and encourage in all areas of school life. Please support your child and encourage them to show their values at home. Please let us know if they do! Our value for June is Kindness and July is Resilience

Jigsaw - RSHE

This half term, we will be looking at 'changing me'. We will be talking about the changes that happen as we grow and learning the names of our private parts. Please see the SRE letter that was sent out to parents for more information.

Religious Education

 This half-term, your child will be learning Religious Education. We will be learning about the religion of Judaism.

Homework

- Every half term, we will set a homework project relating to our topic. Your child can present this project in whichever they wish to. You can find some ideas on your homework flyer. A weekly flyer is sent home on a Friday. This contains up to date information and dates for the forthcoming week.
- Please support your child by making sure that they read at least three times per week. This can be their school book or any other reading related activity. Please record all of these in your child's reading record. Books will only be changed if the reading record has been signed.
 - Books need to be given in on a Monday, they will be changed and sent home again the same day.
 - Your child has logins for Bug Club, Teach Your Monster to Read, Num-Bots,
 Education City and Purple Mash stuck on the inside page of their reading record.

Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every morning 7.45 – 8.50am
Lower Site After School Club	Every Day 3.15 - 6.15pm
Upper Site After School Club	Every day 3.15 – 6.15pm

Forthcoming Events

Friday 27th May 2022	End of Summer Term 1
Monday 6 th June 2022	Start of Summer Term 2
Tuesday 21st June 2022	Lower Phase Sports Day
Friday 24 th June 2022	Inset Day – School Closed
Monday 27 th June 2022	Occasional Day - School Closed
Tuesday 28 th June 2022	Jubilee Occasional Day - School Closed
Thursday 14 th July 2022	Children's Reports Sent home
Friday 22 nd July 2022	End of Summer Term 2 - 2.15pm Finish