



Year 2 Spring Term Topic Overview

A Seed of Change



Topic overview:

We have started our new topic which explores everything about plants. We will be exploring plants and seeds through our science lessons and we will be reading lots of different texts that link to plants and seeds, within our English lessons.

Reading

All children will have a share with me book to read at home. These will be changed once a week in school. Please write in the reading diary, each time your child reads at home. When reading at school children will have a different book to decode that uses the sounds they have learnt in phonics and they will read this 3 times a week. In the Spring term, we will continue to choose a book to read for pleasure from our school library.

Important information:

We will be going swimming this term so all children will need to bring a named swimming kit to school each Thursday.

This term we will be learning...

English	In English we will explore and compare different settings. We will be reading fiction and non-fiction texts about plants and seeds. We will be focussing on descriptive writing and writing a narrative.	Design and Technology	In D&T we will design and make a variety of cards, using hinges. We will evaluate an existing product and discuss the suitability for purpose. We will also explore our cooking skills. We will explore threading and sewing.
Maths	In Maths we are looking at multiplication and division. We will be learning our multiplication facts of 2's, 3's, 5's and 10's. We will look at statistics and showing data through tables and tally charts. We will also be exploring 2D and 3D shape.	Art and Design	In Art we will be learning about observational drawings, and use seeds to support this. We will complete an artist study on Georgia O'Keefe, and focus upon line, colour and tone. We will recreate artwork in the style of Georgia O'Keefe.
Science	In Science we will be sorting and comparing a variety a seeds and bulbs. We will be planting bulbs and observing over time. We will be measuring and discussing changes that we see. We will plant grass seeds and compare how some seeds germinate quicker.	Music	In music we will continue to use Charanga and cover the topics 'I wanna play in a band' and 'Zoo time' and explore using glockenspiels to accompany our singing. We will listen and appraise within different styles of music.
Geography	In Geography we are exploring the world around us. We will be looking at human and physical features and landmarks. We will be using google earth to study the features of the local area and the school grounds. We will be comparing our area to another country.	Religious Education	In RE we will begin by learning about Judaism and we will explore the key question 'Who is Jewish and how do they live?' We will also continue exploring Christianity and the key question, 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'
History	In History we will continue to develop chronology and understand and use phrases such as a long time ago and the past. We will be comparing Josiah Wedgewood and Emma Bridgewater.	PSHE	In PSHE we will be looking at the topics, living in our world, money and work, health and wellbeing, keeping safe and safe relationships.
Computing	In Computing we will be using google earth and google maps, linked to our Geography lessons. We will be focusing upon digital photography and algorithms.	Physical Education	In our PE lessons our main area is swimming. We will be attending swimming lessons at Fenton Manor.