

Theme: How do Plants grow?

This half term we will be learning about how plants grow and change. We will take care of and look after our own plants. We will understand how to grow our own food through planting seeds. We will identify how to care for plants and will understand a simple life-cycle of a seed. We will explore how to make healthy choices with our diet and will taste a variety of fruits and vegetables. As we approach Easter we will learn about how Easter is celebrated and share the books 'We're going on an Egg hunt' and 'Rabbits Don't Lay Eggs'.

Words to learn this half term:

Life cycle, growing, change, water, rain, sun, soil, compost, watering can, trowel, rake, space, fork, bean, shoot, roots, seedling, stalk, stem, petal, leaf, seed, bean, fruit, healthy, unhealthy Easter, eggs, church, and celebration.

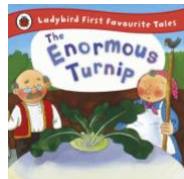
Special Activities

Throughout the half term will be using all of our senses to explore some exciting activities such as: planting seeds, making fruit kebabs, music making & dancing

Stories

During the half term many of the activities and learning experiences offered will be focussed around some of the following stories:

Jack and the Beanstalk
The Enormous Turnip



Maths

In maths we will be focusing on the following areas:

- Length, height and time
- Exploring numbers 9 and 10
- Exploring even and odd
- Numbers bonds to 10
- Recognise 3D shapes

Songs and Rhymes

- Old Macdonald
- Incy Wincy Spider
- Row, Row, Row Your Boat
- The Wheels On The Bus
- The Hokey Cokey

Please remember to:

- Bring your book bag every day.
- Reading books will be changed weekly. Your child will receive a Rhino reading book which is linked to their phonics learning and they will choose a library book. This book is for you to share with your child to promote reading for pleasure.
- Please aim to read with your child at least 3 times a week.
- Learning and playing in EYFS can be fun and messy. Please feel free to send in spare clothes for your child to change into if needed. Please ensure these are in school colours.
- Write your child's name inside all of their uniform, including coats, wellies and PE kits.
- Bring a warm coat, hat and scarf to school, as the weather gets colder.
- Phonics home learning will be given out daily and will need to be returned the following day. On Friday pupils will also receive a piece of maths work.
- PE is on a **Friday**. Please send your child into school that day wearing black shorts/ leggings/ jogging bottoms, a white t shirt, school sweatshirt and trainers. **Earrings must be removed.**
- Have a look at our school website for the school holiday list and other useful information: www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk