



Year 2 Newsletter — Summer 2

English:

This half term, the children will be using a book called 'Grandad's Secret Giant', by David Litchfield, to inspire their writing. This is a beautifully illustrated, funny and engaging book with a really lovely message about belonging and friendship. The children will be reading the story and writing in the role of different characters, including Grandad and the giant. They will be producing a final writing outcome of a narrative with a moral focus, they will have lots of discussions about what it means to be a good friend and what it means to belong in the community to support this writing.

Vocabulary: humongous, drainpipe, Gableview, mural, hoisted, mumbled, pickle, chap

Learning Challenge Curriculum: Science

In Science they are continuing to learn about plants. To support this learning, the children have been participating in some gardening to prepare for the Arley Hall gardening competition. The children know what a plant needs to thrive and stay healthy so have been using this knowledge to grow and look after plants. They will be doing some writing to compare healthy and unhealthy plants to demonstrate their understanding.

Key Vocabulary: seed, bulb, germinate, seedling, dependent, flower, bulb, roots, shoots, healthy, unhealthy

PSHE — Dreams and Goals

The PSHE learning this half term is linked to the English text 'Grandad's Secret Giant' and looks into the community we live in and the different jobs people have. The children will then look at the role of money in everyday life. As the end of the year approaches, the children will complete work based on transition and managing change to alleviate any worries that may arise!

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please do so using the following information:

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Please also ensure that all items of clothing, including coats, have your child's name on. We have an increasingly large number of coats and jumpers/ cardigans going missing and this would help us save time looking for missing items.

Please can you ensure your child keeps all toys and large bags at home as they are not required in school.

Maths:

A huge well done to all of the fantastic children who completed their half term time challenges!

This half term, the children's learning will be based on measure (capacity, length, volume) and statistics. The children will be able to produce, read and interpret different charts including tally charts, bar charts and pictograms. They will use this knowledge to answer questions based on different data and calculate different things such as finding the difference. The children always enjoy asking questions to make their own summer themed charts.

Children will be able to apply their knowledge to solve problems and develop their reasoning schools using mathematical vocabulary.

Reading in Year 2:

We ask children to read at home with an adult a minimum of **5 times per week**. Please listen to your child read, ask some questions about the book then sign their reading record. Any child who reads 5 times will be put into a raffle and the class with the highest percentage of readers within the year group will get an additional reward! We know how busy things are at home so your child could write the date and book in themselves and then ask you to sign it. Thank you for your continued support! Please ensure your child brings their reading record and reading book in everyday.

Times tables

We ask for you to support your child in learning their times tables at home.

Useful websites are Hit the Button and Times Table Rockstars which are fun and engaging ways for your child to develop their times table knowledge.

Thank you for your continued support.