

Yellow Class Newsletter

Spring 2



Can you believe that we are already half way through the academic year! The children have all made great progress and I am looking forward to seeing the learning that occurs this half term.

Our topic for Spring 2 is 'Ready, Steady Grow'. We will be learning about all things that grow such as people, animals and plants.

Our phonics lessons will focus on consolidating our knowledge of digraphs and trigraphs and learning to identify them in words (for example: 'ai' in the word 'rain'). We will also be learning to read longer words such as 'shimmer' and 'buzzer'.

As the children's confidence to read continues to grow, as will their desire to write words and sentences. To support this, the children must be able to form their letters correctly. We will continue to assist the children to develop their fine motor control and remind them of the rhymes we use to write each of the letters in the alphabet.

We will continue to teach and support the children with their Personal, Social and Emotional Development this half term. Focusing on developing resilience through games and meaningful conversations and the importance of communication when playing cooperatively with friends. PSE is a vital area of learning that allows the children to access all other areas of the curriculum.

Spring Home learning –

Read 5x per week

Complete 20 minutes on Numbots

Complete the phonics home learning sheet and stick into your home learning book

Complete an activity from the home learning grid

Reading Books Overview – remember it is best practice to leave books in book bags and bring them to school every day!

A picture story book from school can be read at home on a Friday - Wednesday evening (can be changed daily if read) and returned on a Thursday.

A Little Wandle Reading book will be sent home on Thursdays and **MUST** be returned on the following Monday.

It is okay to read the same phonics book multiple times! This allows your child to consolidate their knowledge and will develop their confidence when reading.

Tips when reading the same phonics book multiple times include; reading with prosody (expression), reading to a new family member or friend and answering comprehension questions.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR PE DAY WILL CHANGE TO TUESDAY THIS HALF TERM

We look forward to another half term of excellent learning!

Mrs Hume and the Yellow Class team

