

Thomas Bullock CE Primary and Nursery Academy

Summer 1 Newsletter

Ark Nursery Class



Welcome back!

We hope you had a restful and fun Easter break! This half term, our focus is 'How do we grow? (Growth and Change)'. We will continue growing within our classroom, before our plants are ready to be out in the sunshine! Outdoor learning takes place everyday so it is important for children to have wellies and appropriate waterproof clothing, as well as named spare clothes to keep on their peg.

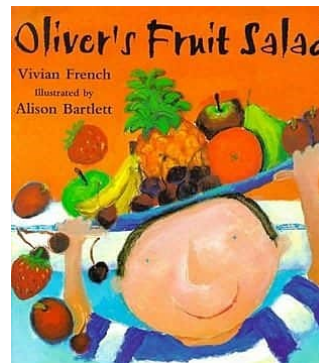
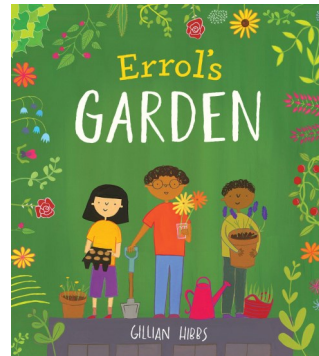
As well as constantly developing physically within the classroom and outdoor areas, we now have a short PE slot on a Tuesday morning too. Please arrive at school wearing trainers.

Forest School will continue to be on a Friday' morning.

Tapestry - our focus is on growing this term, including ourselves, so please upload any baby photos you have of your child onto Tapestry. We plan to add these to our class timeline for the children to see and compare!

This half term's learning:

Our Literacy focus books are pictured below:



If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office!

Our Learning Objectives:

Literacy - In literacy, through the Talk 4 Writing approach, we will be promoting discussion. We will learn new vocabulary, use longer sentences to describe what we see and give opinions. As well as lots of talking, recognising rhyme, role playing and verbal story telling, we will also make marks on story maps and mountains. Some of us will begin to recognise initial sounds for words, writing these down on paper with a pencil. We will also look at instructions for growing and caring for plants.

Maths - During our maths sessions, we will look at: sequencing, positional language, more than / fewer and 2D and 3D shapes.

RWI Phonics - We will continue learning 2 new sounds per week. This half terms sounds: r, j, v, y, w, z, x. We will then be introduced to special friends, starting with: sh, th, ch and qu. We will also continue looking at initial sounds and segmenting and blending CVC words.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development: We will continue with our child of day, where one child per day receives compliments. As well as our daily focus on social skills, we will look at following rules, looking after the environment, ourselves and our peers, notice differences between people, sun safety and healthy eating.

Understanding the World/Expressive Arts & Design: Our focus this term is growing: growing plants and flowers, as well as how we have grown ourselves and continue to do so. We will use a timeline to explore our lifetimes, the events that have happened and how we have changed. We will consolidate our Easter learning before exploring a range of religions. We will use instruments in different ways and explore the artist Piet Mondrian, as well as lots of other daily creative activities!

Physical Development: We will continue working on managing our own personal hygiene, as well as developing our fine and gross motor skills. We have a PE session on a Tuesday morning and constant opportunities to develop physically within our classroom and outdoor areas.

Outdoor Learning: We will continue to have our weekly forest school sessions with Mrs Garrod, as well as lots of other opportunities to be outdoors!