

Week Beginning 29.04.24

Our Topic is...

How does your garden grow?
Next week, we will be learning about...

Topic: We are continuing to read the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk* and will be using a story map and actions to learn the story. In PSHE we will be learning about sharing and how to say “No” politely and how to resolve the problem of two people wanting the same thing, without asking an adult to sort it out. In PE we will continue to develop our ball skills by working together to hit a target and in forest we will continue to explore and start to learn about den building. In music we will be learning more songs about Jack and the Beanstalk!

Phonics: In Phonics we will learn to read and write more complex words, including the words swift, twist, blend, crunch, strong, splat, sprint and scrunch. We will also be learning new tricky words: were, here, little and says.

Maths: In Maths we will be learning about equal and unequal groups. We will be learning new STEM sentences: *Groups are equal if they have the same number of objects in each group. Groups are unequal if they have different numbers of objects in each group.* We will practise sharing different quantities into two or more equal groups. We will also be reviewing our learning on doubling and learning about halving numbers 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10.

How you could help your child:

- Keep practising the Phase 3 phonemes that were sent home last half term, including practising writing them in the phonics home learning book.
- Enjoy reading your child's choice book and decodable book with them over the weekend.
- Practise the new Phase 4 tricky words with your child.
- Practise sharing quantities of objects you find around your home into two or more groups. Talk about whether the groups are equal or unequal and ask your child to tell you how they know.

Reminders

- **Reading Books:** Please return your child's reading book **and the plastic wallet** on **Monday**. The plastic wallet is to keep the books safe on their journey to and from your home.
- **Choice Books:** Your child will bring a choice book home every Friday, in addition to their decodable phonics reading book. Please return your child's choice book on **Friday**.
- **Forest School:** We will be going to the forest on Friday. Spring weather is especially unpredictable. Please make sure your child brings a coat and comes to school in clothes that they can get muddy in!
- **Performance:** Don't forget our performance is on Wednesday 8th May at 2.15pm and Thursday 9th May at 9am. See the letter sent earlier this week for more information.
- **DEN BUILDING** – We would love to take the children den building in the forest. If you are able to come and help during the day please get in touch with your child's class teacher. All help would be very welcome!

The Foundation Stage Team 😊