

Week Beginning 21.04.25

Our Topic is...

## **How Does Your Garden Grow?**

### **After Easter, we will be learning about...**

**Topic:** We are very much looking forward to beginning our new Topic in the first week back after the Easter Holidays! We will be focussing on the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will be using the story to think about what plants need to grow, taking part in a cress experiment and planting our own sunflowers!

**Phonics:** We will begin the term by consolidating the first week of Phase 4, learning to read and write CVCC words with a short vowel sound such as **went, help** and **tent**. We will also be consolidating the new tricky words **said, so, have** and **like** and will send these tricky words home with reading books on the Friday.

**Maths:** We will be extending our learning about addition to thinking about double numbers. We will watch the Numberblocks episode "Double Trouble" to help us understand the concept. We will use the STEM sentence "double \_\_ is \_\_" e.g. "double 2 is 4".

### **How you could help your child:**

- Keep practising reading the tricky words we have learnt so far – we will be learning lots more next term.
- Enjoy a relaxing break from school, have fun outside, spend time with friends and family and share as many stories as you can!

### **Reminders**

- **Forest School:** We will **NOT** be going to the Forest on Thursday (24<sup>th</sup> April) as the children will be having their whole class school photos taken. Please send your child in with full uniform.
- **Earth Day:** See attached poster about Earth Day 2025, which we will be celebrating on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Please let your class teacher know as soon as possible if you would like to come along and help us.
- **PE:** Next half term in PE we will be practising our ball skills. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on the first day of term.
- **Reading Books and Choice Books:** The children will not be bringing home a reading or choice book over Easter to allow us to have a stock take. We will send out new books after Easter, if you have any school books at home please return them as soon as possible.
- **Glass Jars:** This term we will also be planting our very own bean and observing it grow! We would be very grateful if each parent and carer could bring in one or more empty glass jars for us to use. Please send them in by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April, thank you.
- **Wooden Vehicles:** We are looking for donations of wooden vehicles for our small world area.

**Thank you once again for all your support this term.** The first day back for the summer term is **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.**

**The Foundation Stage Team** 😊