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Dear Parents and Carers,

Early Years Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Summer Term 1 2024

We hope you had a good holiday, we are so happy to have the children back!

Learning Theme

This half term, our learning theme is 'Growing'. We will be learning about life cycles, human growth, how our bodies work, growing our own plants and we will also be going on a trip to the Botanical Gardens! We will continue to send out an update each Monday via parent mail to let you know what we learnt the previous week and what we will be learning that week so that you can support your child's learning at home. To find out more about what we will be learning this half term, please see the curriculum overview letter.

Supporting Learning at Home

As always, keep reading and recording your child's reading in their diary please! We continue to ask that you read and record ANY home reading at least 5 times per week. We will continue to send home a sharing book daily for you to read to your child. Your child's phonics home reader will be sent home with them every Thursday for them to 'show off' their fantastic, fluent reading to you. These books will be collected in on Monday so please make sure they are ready in your child's book bags as we need full sets of the decodable books for our reading practice groups. This is such an important way for you to support your child in learning to read as it gives them confidence in their own ability to read. If you would like more help with reading at home, please do let us know.

Dates for your diary:

Make sure to read Mrs Rawlins' weekly newsletter to keep up with whole school events.

However, here are some key dates for this half term:

Tuesday 30th April: Open classrooms

Monday 6th May: Bank holiday

Friday 10th May: Class 2 assembly

Week beginning 13th May: Mental Health awareness week

Week beginning 20th May: Walk to School Week

Tuesday 21st May: EYFS trip to Botanical Gardens (more information to follow)

Other reminders:

As the weather begins to warm up (Hopefully!), please do remember sun hats and cream as necessary. Children must come to school with sun cream applied or be able to apply their own sunscreen and any bottles should be clearly named.

We can't believe we are already in the summer term! Over the summer term, we will begin to talk to the children about their transition into Year 1. They will have opportunities to visit the Year 1 classrooms, learn a bit more about life in Year 1 and, in July, they will meet their new teacher. If you have any questions about how we support the children with this transition – or any other queries about your child and/or their learning – do speak to us at drop-off/pick-up.

Best wishes,

Mr Sapsford, Miss Ozakpinar, Miss Ellis, Mrs Kabir and Mrs Begum