Class 1 Newsletter - April 2021

Demonstration of Exception of

Literacy

This term we will be continuing to assess the children's phonic knowledge and build on their understanding of phonemes and graphemes, mostly working on our Phase 3 digraphs and Phase 4 CCVC, CVCC and CVC words. We will also be focusing on learning our tricky words - words which cannot be sounded out such as 'they'. In English we will be discovering the traditional tale of 'Jack and the Beanstalk', looking at characters, story setting and writing our own imaginative versions. We will also look at alternative versions of the story too to see how they are similar and \wedge different.

In Maths, we will be learning through a variety of play-based activities to include both number and measures. We will be looking in depth at teen numbers in our work on 'To 20 and beyond'. We will also be taking part in the NSPCC Number day on Friday 7th May. Following this, we will move on to a variety of different measures including height, weight, time and money. Don't forget to encourage your child to have a go on Mathletics look out for your child's login in their book bags. 3

Communication and Longers

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Maths

Please come and speak to us should you need any assistance!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development This term is all about how we grow and change. We will be focusing on how our bodies change as we grow, girls, boys and families and what is safe to go into our bodies.	<u>This term our topic i</u> <u>'The Circle of Life'</u> Summer 2021	<u>s:</u>	Communication and Language This term we have a garden centre role-play which will encourage the children to develop their vocabulary around plants and nature, linking in with our work in Understanding the World. We will also be continuing to work on our listening skills through a range of games.
Physical Development As well as enjoying our free-flow activities outside and use of the climbing frame, we will also have PE lessons on a Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure your child has a labelled PE kit in school. The children are also huge fans of Jumpstart Jonny which we take part in on a regular basis - why not have a go at home!	Expressive Arts and Design This term we are focusing on plants and animals. We will be making tie dye flowers and exploring the process of tie dye. We will also be looking at patterns in nature, making transient art sculptures with natural materials, as well as looking at animal patterns and how this links to habitats.	RE/Understanding the World Following on from Easter, we will learn about the Christian period of Pentecost and Ascention Day. This term our British value focus is 'Tolerance of others faiths and beliefs'. Therefore, we will also be looking at other faiths such as Judaism and how they compare to Christianity. This term will focus on plants and animals in the outside world. We will be learning about the parts of a plant and what they need to grow, including growing our own broad beans. We will learn about life cycles, food chains and minibeasts and are hoping to have some caterpillars arriving soon so that we can watch them change into butterflies.	