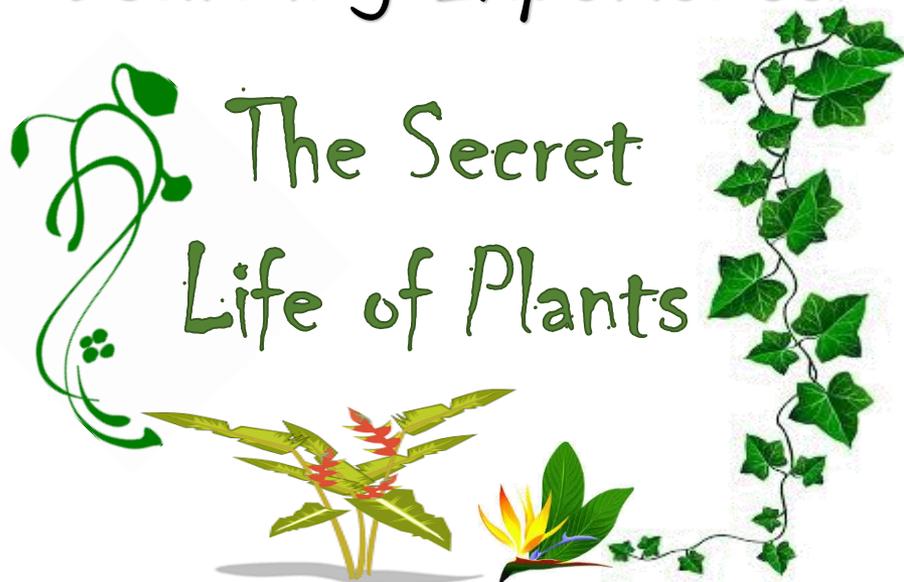


Spring Term Learning Experience



Year 3Mu
Teachers:
Miss Mulroy
Teaching Assistants:
Miss Lewis and Mrs Taylor

The Secret Life of Plants

English	We will be learning how to apply new spelling and grammar skills through traditional tales and non-chronological reports.
Maths	We will be learning to recall our 8x table multiplication and division facts and use these to solve problems, how to find a fraction of an amount and using more formal written methods for calculation.
Science	This term, we will be learning about the different parts of plants and their functions and what they require in order to live and grow effectively. We will also investigate how water is transported within plants the part that flowers play in the cycle of pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.
History & Geography	We will be learning about where plants grow best and what locations suit different types of plants and what types of plants grow in our own locality. We will look at famous artists from a different period in history.
Design Technology/ Art	In art we will be looking at artists inspired by nature. These will include Georgia O'Keeffe and William Morris. The main skills we will be using are creating tints and shades as well as drawing from observation. We will also be using our own floral patterns to create prints. In design and technology we will be looking at healthy foods and investigating the nutritional values of vegetables. We will use this to design and create our own healthy vegetable soups.
Religious Education	We will be learning to identify values in human life and to think about our own values, with special reference to Christianity and Humanism.
Computing	Alongside learning about how to stay safe online, we will be using Stop Go Animation to re-create the journey of a seed.
Physical Education	Our Real PE scheme will focus on agility, balance and co-ordination. We will also be using dance to express the growth and movement of plants.

Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Opportunities

Through our collective worship, we will be reflecting on what makes us and others unique and how we are all loved by God for our own special qualities. Our worship Wednesdays will be themed around caring for others and our environment and how stories from the Bible can inspire us to do this.

British Values & Global Citizens

Our class reflection and PHSE ties will focus mainly on democracy and acceptance of others this term. We will think about how we can respect those with different faiths and beliefs and what values we might actually share with each other.

Supporting your child at home

- ❖ At Hayfield Cross, we believe reading to be an extremely important part of every child's development. Our expectation is that children **read every day** to an adult at home and that this is recorded within their home reading records. Additional guidance and advice will be provided.
- ❖ Children who still need it will receive daily phonics sessions and handwriting and reading is taught daily to all children.
- ❖ Spellings relating to the term's spelling bee will be sent home every Friday, ready for a test on the following Friday. Some children may get alternative spellings to learn, depending on individual needs.
- ❖ Within maths, **a solid understanding of number is essential** for children to have in order to build upon as they move throughout the school. It would be beneficial to look out for opportunities to use mathematical vocabulary or mental calculation during everyday activities.
- ❖ Any additional information or photographs of particularly exciting learning opportunities will be shared via the school website.

This Season's School Learning Theme is



All God's Creatures

PE

Day: Wednesday afternoon
Day: Friday afternoon

PE is an important part of every child's physical development and it is essential that they can participate in every lesson. Please can you ensure that your child has a full **named PE kit**. This consists of a navy blue polo shirt, black shorts and plimsolls or trainers for indoor and outdoor use. School hoodies and plain navy or black tracksuit trousers are optional for outdoor PE. It is also **not advisable** for children to have their ears pierced during term time. Children will need to be able to remove any jewellery themselves before any PE sessions.

Working in Partnership

We believe it is crucial to work in close partnership with parents to provide the best education for each and every child. Therefore, if you would like to talk to the class teacher do not hesitate to arrange a meeting after school by asking them or calling the office.

School Times

Please remember that school begins at **8:45** prompt when all children must be on the playground in their line, ready to start learning. The playground gates are open from 8:35 where you will be met by a member of staff.