

Spring Term Learning Experience

How Does Your Garden Grow?



Year 1

Hedgehogs

Teacher:

Miss Walker

Teaching Assistant:

Miss Nagar

Squirrels

Teacher:

Miss Rowse

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Mrs Nevett

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English	This term we will be continuing to explore different texts through a Talk for Writing approach. The children will be exploring these texts through drama, story, poetry and non fiction.
Maths	In Maths we will be learning to count up and back in 5s and 10s, compare and describe different lengths and heights, name and recognise 3D shapes, compare and describe mass and weight and divide by sharing concrete objects and pictorial representations.
Science	In Science we will be keeping in with the Spring theme by looking at plants and how they grow! We will also be learning about wild plants, garden plants, types of trees, parts of a plant, different habitats found in a garden, mini-beasts and some of their life cycles, and finally looking at how the seasons change and why.
Topic	In topic we will be continuing the outdoor theme by looking at landscapes and the countryside.
Religious Education	In RE our topic this term is "Places in Christianity". We will be learning all about the features of a church, Christian pilgrimage to Jerusalem and how Christian places of worship differ to those of other religions.
Computing	In Computing we will be learning all about eSafety, as well as how to program virtual and physical toys.
Physical Education	In PE this term, we will continue to look at invasion games and working as a team, following the REAL PE curriculum.
Spanish	The main language content is centred around easy-to-grasp forms of the Spanish verbs for have, like, and want. More colours are introduced (others are reinforced) and the children will also become familiar with some names of fruits and drinks.

This Season's School Learning Theme is

Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Opportunities

This term we will be taking the opportunity to learn all about Chinese New Year and how it differs from our British celebration of the New Year. During our RE studies about Places in Christianity we will also be comparing a traditional Christian church to places of worship in other religions.

British Values & Global Citizens

Alongside our topic "How Does Your Garden Grow?" we will be looking at how we can care for our environment, how we can live sustainably and how we can share our environment with other living beings.

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.
- ❖ 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.



All God's Creatures

PE

Day: Monday 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 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.