



# Year 1

## Half Termly News



Spring 2 2018

### How Does your Garden Grow?

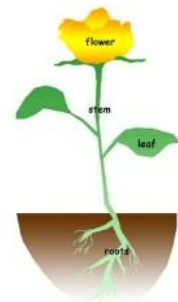
Dear Year 1 Parents / Carers,

This half term our topic is called: How Does Your Garden Grow and is all about plants and growing.

Some of the areas we will be focusing on during this half term are:

- ❖ **English** – Focus on phase 5c and 5d phonics: Using alternative ways of spelling the phonemes and reading phonically decodable two-syllable words e.g. bleating.
- ❖ Reading and spelling days of the week.
- ❖ Adding –s –es to make plurals (and third person singular verbs).
- ❖ Adding –ing, –er, and –ed to verbs (where root word doesn't change).
- ❖ Adding –er, –est to adjectives.
- ❖ Apostrophes (contraction)
- ❖ Words beginning –un and compound words.
- ❖ Writing sentences using capital letters and full stops. Re-reading work to check for sense and punctuation.
- ❖ Reading and spelling year one common exception words and high frequency words.
- ❖ **Maths** – Addition within 20, subtraction within 20, numbers to 50, length and height, weight and volume.
- ❖ **Creative** – Close observational drawings of plants, Mother's Day cards, Easter Art.
- ❖ **Computing** – Switched on computing 'We are TV chefs (algorithms). E-safety
- ❖ **Knowledge and understanding of the world** – History: time lines.  
Geography: Barnaby Bear and his adventures to other countries (making comparisons to plants found there to their locality).
- ❖ **RE** – Special things in nature. Christianity and Easter.
- ❖ **PSHE** – Understanding zones of regulation, caring for the environment and the world.
- ❖ **PE** - Games, dance, gymnastics.

### Growing Plants



If you have any information, books or artefacts linked to the topic we would very much appreciate them.

**Mrs Espinosa-Davis and Miss Weller**