



# Reception Newsletter

Spring 2  
February 2023



Welcome back to the Spring 2 term. This week we introduced our topic 'Let's Grow!' and enjoyed our learning about Jack and the Beanstalk. Over the coming weeks, we will be exploring the life cycles of plants and minibeasts with a focus on observing changes.

## Literacy and Understanding of the World

We will continue to share lots of exciting stories and poems throughout the weeks to inspire our imaginative play and writing and most importantly, a love for reading. The children will have the opportunity to plant seeds/flowers and talk about the changes that they see. We will talk about the different things that plants need to grow. Please see our Knowledge Organiser for the key texts that we will be reading and the information that we will be learning. Your child will bring this home at the end of the week.

## Mathematics

During this half term, we will be securing our number knowledge within 10. We will look at different ways of representing and sorting 9 and 10 and also at their composition. Ordering numbers forwards and back will also be a focus as well as learning about 3D shapes. We will build, print and create a range of patterns with the 3D shapes and use key language to describe what the shapes look like.

## PE

The learning in PE this half term is based on Speed, Agility and travel. The children will be learning to:

- Travel with some control and co-ordination.
- Change direction at speed through both choice and instruction
- Perform actions demonstrating changes in speed
- Stop, start, pause, prepare for and anticipate movement in a variety of situations.

**Apricot Class will have their final Balanceability sessions on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Apple Class will start their sessions on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March.**

## Phonics

We will continue to consolidate the graphemes we have learnt so far and apply our knowledge to our reading and writing.

Please can you continue to support your child's learning by practising their sounds and learning to read their tricky words. A video guide to helping your child with their tricky words can be found using this link <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/>

## Reading

Please can you make the time to read with your child by accessing their E-book or reading the books that they bring home – your support really does make a difference to your child's progress. We are inviting you to join us at school for a 'reading and story time session'. We will share what reading practice looks like and then give you the opportunity to read with your child in school. It would be lovely for you to join us. **Apricot Class Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm and Apple Class on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm.**

## Dates for the Diary

Parents evening - 6<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-6pm

13<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm-6pm

Reading Invitation- 18<sup>th</sup> March @2.30pm Apricot Class

19<sup>th</sup> March @2.30pm Apple Class

Please see the Spring term dates sent out in January

If you have any questions about our learning, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Wishes,

The Reception Team x

