

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been reading *Oliver's Vegetables*. The children had an opportunity to see and touch most of the vegetables from the book and they wrote adjectives to describe the vegetables. In maths, the children have been looking at comparing groups of objects and using vocabulary such as greater and fewer.

English: We will continue with *Oliver's Vegetables*, sequence the story, and finally write an alternative ending to the story.

Phonics: We will be recapping our phase 5 sounds which we have been learning this term: **ay, ou, ie, ea, oy, ir, ue and aw**.

Maths: We will continue comparing and ordering objects and numbers and order numbers from the smallest to the greatest.

Science: We will continue to look at our senses and will be focusing on taste and smell. Children will be tasting a smelling a range of different items such as - cinnamon, cloves, mint, coffee, sage, lavender, mint, lemon, banana pineapple and grapes.

Geography: We will be creating a school map based on our walk round last week.

Art: We will be creating a self-portrait using vegetable cut outs.

PSHE: We will be learning that our actions and choices always have consequences.

At home you could:

- Please continue to read with your child for 10 minutes every day and remember to also write in their reading records.
- Plant some vegetables and keep a log of observations. How does the taste of vegetables from your garden compare to store-bought vegetables?
- Practise number bonds to 10 as this will support their learning at home, e.g. $4+6 = 10$
- The Purple Mash login logins have been stuck at the front of the reading diaries. Please practise logging into Purple Mash with your child.

Donations: Thank you for all your donations this week. We continue to really appreciate donations of junk modelling items, plain flour, oil, salt (for making playdough), shaving foam, glitter, and magazines. We will continue to collect donations of £1 this term which will go towards buying resources e.g the items needed for science next week. Please remember that these donations contribute towards enhancements of your children's learning.

Diary Dates:-

Tuesday 3rd October 2.15 pm - Safeguarding meeting with Miss Morris for current & potential volunteers

Wednesday 4th October 9.10 - 9.50 am - Shared Learning (more information to follow)

Thursday 5th October 9.05 - 10.00 am - SEN Information Meeting - School Hall (all parents welcome)

Friday 6th October 2.15 pm FoML AGM - School Hall (all parents welcome)

Friday 6th October 3.00 pm - FoML Pre-loved uniform email and collect day (more information to follow)

Monday 9th October - Morning - Harvest Assembly & Collection (Children only)

Tuesday 10th October 9.15 am Parent Voice Meeting - School Hall (Class Reps)

Wednesday 11th October 9.10 - 10.10 am Phonics Workshop - School Hall

Wednesday 11th October 6.00 -7.00 pm Phonics Workshop - Virtual (link to follow)

Forest School:

Thursday 05th October 2023

Thursday 12th October 2023

Thursday 19th October 2023

PE

All classes - Multi Sports every Friday morning.

We will not be having our usual class PE (Squirrels Monday, Hedgehogs Tuesday, Foxes Wednesday) for the rest of this term because we have started Forest School. Please send children to school in their school uniform and with their PE bags - they will change at school. Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled and all earrings are covered.

Notices:

Children will continue coming home with a **mini sound book** at the back of their reading records. The book will be updated on weekly bases with the new sounds taught/recapped during the week.

Children will also be coming home with a **long strip of paper in their book bags which has your new Microsoft Teams log in details**. Your class teachers will use Microsoft teams as a way to communicate and share pictures of some of the exciting learning which takes places in their classrooms e.g. trips, workshops and special pieces of work.

Thank you
The Year 1 team