



Toucan News



Spring Term

Brundall School- Be extraordinary.

Our topic for this term is: Farm to Fork

We hope you will find the following information helpful in supporting your child's learning at home.

English

This term we will be reading and writing instructional texts about growing plants. We will also be reading lots of books by the author Martin Waddell and using them for inspiration for our own writing. All children will continue to secure punctuation in a sentence and use connectives and different sentence starts. Some children will be encouraged to use more descriptive words and phrases in their writing. We will be teaching everyone to form their letters correctly and then to join their handwriting when they are ready. The Year 1 children will continue to follow the Letters and Sounds phonics programme. The Year 1 phonic screening check issued by the government will take place in the week beginning June 15th. It would be great if all of the year 1 children were in school that week. The year 2 children will be following a new spelling programme. Please read the separate letter to find out more about this.

How can you help at home?

Please continue to share a wide variety of books at home and remember that the children have the opportunity to borrow extra books from the class and school libraries. Focus on checking your child's understanding of the books they have read. Ask questions about the text.

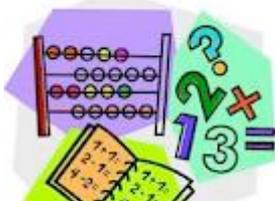
Mathematics

All children will have the opportunity to extend their understanding of all four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will also explore shape and time. We will collect and present data related to our topic, 'Farm to Fork'. Everyone will continue learning to count in 2s, 5s, and 10s and extend their understanding of the value of numbers and money. The children will also be using the above strategies to solve worded number problems.

How Can you Help at Home?

Play board games, e.g. Snakes and Ladders, Dominoes or let your child develop their own game and rules. Involve your child in everyday counting activities, including handling money.

In addition, you may like to visit www.ictgames.com. This is a website which provides lots of opportunity to play games which support learning in school.



Humanities

We will be learning about how farming has changed over time. The children will think about the crops which are grown locally and foods which have travelled from other parts of the world. In R.E., we will be focusing on the life of Jesus and the stories that he told. In ICT, we will be using a drawing package and using data handling programs to draw graphs.

Science

We will be learning about the life cycles of plants and animals. We will be thinking about what plants need to grow well.

Art and Design

The children will be working with a range of media to create 2D and 3D projects linked to our topic, 'Farm to Fork'.

Music

The children will either be learning a variety of songs as a member of the choir or learning to play the recorder.

Physical Development

We will be teaching the children to move with control and an awareness of space, whilst continuing to provide opportunities to improve the children's fine motor skills, especially cutting. In Games lessons, the children will extend their throwing, catching, kicking and striking skills.

PSED (Personal, Social and Emotional Development)

We will be thinking about all of the things members of our class are good at how to and give and receive compliments.

Please remember:

Games kit needed Mondays. During the Winter months we still go outside for Games lessons so children will need very warm tracksuits and trainers rather than plimsolls and a waterproof available in case of a rain shower.

PE kit is needed Wednesdays.

Please could you ensure ALL clothing, including PE and Games kit, is named. This makes it easier at the end of each day to return clothing to its owner.

As we will be doing lots of messy creative work we would like every child to have an old adult shirt to wear as a overall.

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Allison and Mrs Maunder

