



#### Story of the week:

A range of fiction and non-fiction texts related to vegetables and plants.

#### Wow vocabulary:

seed, root, carbon dioxide, grow, radish

#### Phonics Focus

Our sounds this week:

*ai ee*

This week's Tricky Words:

*her all*

#### Maths Focus

*Ask your child to count out 6, 7 or 8 small objects (e.g. toys, pasta or socks) from a larger group. Encourage them to show the number on their fingers as "5 and a bit" and tell you how they know they have the correct amount.*

#### Welcome Back!

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break. The children have had a fabulous first week back as we begin the second half of the Spring term. It has been wonderful to see them so enthusiastic and ready to learn!

#### Vegetables!

This week, we received a very exciting letter from Mr Bloom telling us that he had hidden lots of vegetables in our playground! We set off on a vegetable hunt and discovered many different types. We even learned the names of some vegetables that were new to us. After our hunt, we wrote lists of the vegetables we found and have enjoyed painting, drawing, and even printing with vegetables to create some fantastic artwork. We decided that we would love to grow our own vegetables, so on Monday afternoon we planted some radishes. Before planting, we found out what plants need to grow — light, water, soil and carbon dioxide (yes, we even learned what carbon dioxide is!). We are very excited to watch them grow over the coming weeks.

#### Sculpture

This half term, we will also be exploring sculpture. We began by using mud as our media — it certainly got very messy, but we had lots of fun moulding and manipulating the mud into different shapes.

#### Show and Tell

Our first Show and Tell session on Wednesday was a huge success! The children listened carefully to one another and took turns beautifully — we were so proud of them. Show and Tell will take place every Wednesday. Your child is welcome to bring in one small item (please ensure it is clearly named). You are also very welcome to email photos to the EYFS email address and we will happily print them for your child to share.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend. 😊

#### Things to remember

- Home reader changing days: *Mondays: Parrots – Tuesdays: Monkeys – Wednesdays: Zebras*
- Your child's reading pack must come into school everyday.

#### Gallery

To see our week in photos – check out our class gallery [here](#).