

Year 2 Term 5

Dear Parents,



Topic

Our class topic this term is 'Global Gardens'. During this topic we will be finding out about gardens around the world and the adaptations of different plants in different climates. In Science we will be looking at plants. In art we will be studying the artist Claude Monet and learning water colour techniques. All other subjects will be linked to the topic where possible.

Homework

New homework books have been given out today. All books need to be handed in on Thursday. Spelling tests will now be on Thursday and books will be given back on Friday with the next week's maths homework in.

Reading-home readers will be checked at school once a week. The books will be changed when we feel a child is not only confident with reading the text and key words but also understands the story or fact book. Re-read the book several times to encourage fluency. See the questions at the back of the book to aid your child at home. **Those who read regularly at home (and are read to) are at an advantage, this is the most important of all the homework!** Please fill in the reading journal and should your child finish a book feel free to write in extra books they have read from home.

PE

PE this term will be on Monday afternoon with me and a Thursday afternoon when Coach Chris will be working with them. Children will need to have their PE kits in school at all times. A PE kit should include: T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, tracksuit bottoms and top and trainers. Please label all items of clothing.

Other

- We will have 'Show and Tell' on a Friday, this is for children to tell any interesting news from home or to show an item of interest to do with the topic. Please can you ensure your child does not bring in any toys. 'Show and Tell' is optional, don't feel they have to say or show every week.
- SATS testing will take place this term, they have to be completed by the end of May for Maths (Arithmetic and Problem Solving), reading and SPAG. The children will be taken out of the class in small groups and given as much time and encouragement as possible. The children do not feel any pressure from school.

And finally...

I hope your child enjoys this term in Year 2, should you have any concerns or problems please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Bishop