

## A Note from Amy

Welcome back, I hope you had an excellent half term holiday. We have another very busy and exciting half term ahead. We will be starting our new topic 'The Scented Garden' this half term.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask. I am available after school to discuss any worries or issues, no matter how big or small. This newsletter will give you some key information about what we will be covering during our topic this term. We have also included some other information you may find useful.



## Year Two, Class 5 Newsletter

### This term in class we are learning about...

Our topic this half term is 'The Scented Garden'.

In Science we will be investigating plants and finding out what they need to grow and stay healthy. We will also be planting seeds and observing how they change and grow over time. We will also learn the names of the different parts of a plant and explore how plants and flowers transport water. We will also explore our senses and what it would be like to lose one of them.

In Geography we will use look at world maps identifying where the Brazilian rainforest is and looking at the different types of plants and flower that can be found there. Children will also get the opportunity to make their own mini rainforest in a jar. **We will need empty jars for this job so please donate any that you might have spare.**

In Art we will be making detailed observational drawings of flowers and creating floral collages using paper and fabrics.

In D&T we will be making our own scented play dough and designing our own fantasy gardens.

In our literacy lessons we will be reading Jack and the Beanstalk and children will plan and write their own version of the story. We will also explore explanation texts and poetry and write our own.

## Important Reminders:

Please ensure you name ALL of your child's clothing including wellingtons and PE kits. All children **MUST** wear black school shoes.

All letters are sent via Parent Mail. If you are unsure of how to work it please see the office staff.

Please inform myself or the office if someone different will be collecting your child. It is also important to keep the office informed of any changes to contact details.

Your child's PE day is Monday; children will need shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls in school on this day. Please note that children who wear earrings to school must be able to take them out to take part in PE. If your child cannot remove their earrings please make sure they are not wearing them on Mondays.

Please could you also ensure that your child has a water bottle in school every day. A hydrated mind is a working mind!

## Homework:

Homework is to be accessed through Spelling Shed and Maths Shed online (they are on the same site) and is set every Wednesday and needs to be completed by the following Tuesday evening.

If your child does not complete their homework it is expected as school policy that they complete it at lunch time the following Wednesday before their new homework is set.

We have homework club after school for children who prefer to do it at school or do not have access to the internet at home. Please speak to the office for more details.

