

What's happening this half term in F2?

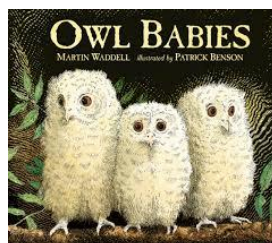
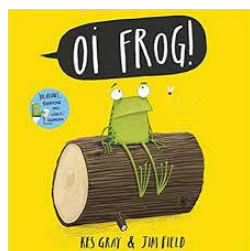
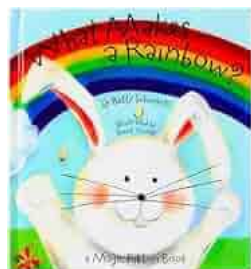
Topic

This half term is a short one; we only have 5 weeks. During the first week, we will be looking at colours and learning about how rainbows form. We will be mixing colours to see what new colours we can make. After that we will be focussing on growing. We are loving watching our class tadpoles. We can't wait to see them grow and change over the coming weeks. We will look at some non-fiction books and videos to learn about the changes that happen to tadpoles in order for them to become frogs. We will also be planting some seeds and beans and reading the stories Jack and the Beanstalk and Jaspers Beanstalk. We will think back to our learning last term when we thought about how we have changed and grown since we were babies. The children still love looking at their baby photographs! We will also fit in some science. We will be looking at shadows and how they are formed. We will look at changes of state, for example when ice and chocolate melt in the sun or when water freezes to ice in the freezer. We will be making predictions and then carrying out experiments to see if we were right.



Key Stories

Our core books this half term are shown below. These link to the learning we are doing about growing and changing. We will also be reading other stories to the children every day and singing nursery rhymes. We will be using non-fiction books to learn more about tadpoles and frogs, planting and science. We will be doing lots of activities linked to these lovely books.



Bank holidays – school closed

School will be closed on the bank holiday – **Monday 5th May**

School will be closed for the half term holidays **Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May.**

Baking

We would like to do more baking and food tasting this half term. The children will be making healthy sandwiches by adding things like cucumber and lettuce to their favourite sandwich fillings. We will be tasting different types of beans. We will also be making fruit smoothies to look at different ways we can add more fruit to our diet. We will be learning about the importance of eating fruits and vegetables to keep us healthy. Thank you to everyone who has already paid for baking for the rest of the year. You do not need to pay again. If you haven't paid for the whole year, hand £2 to any member of staff when you can. Thanks.



Babblejab!

If your child talks about Babblejab! this is a lesson we do a few times a week to encourage imagination and conversation whilst also developing vocabulary. There are 2 simple characters on the screen and children decide what they are called, what they might eat, whether they are friends or enemies and who they would most like to play with. It is lots of fun and everyone gets the chance to contribute their ideas.

Reminders

Please listen to your children read their reading book at home at least 4 times a week. We are on the final push, helping children get ready for Year One. The more reading your child does at home, the better their reading will be and the easier they will find Year One.

Apples PE – Tuesdays

Oranges PE – Thursdays

Children need to come to school in their PE clothes, including trainers. No earrings should be worn on their PE day.

Responsible Behaviour Curriculum

As a school, we are starting a new set of lessons which teach children about appropriate behaviour and how to deal with situations when things don't go to plan. This follows on from our work on manners. Each week there is a challenge. If children tell you that we have 'put their peg on the line' this means they have completed the challenge for that week!! The first week the challenge is to use **kind hands, kind feet and kind words**. The children have been thinking of the kind things they can say and do to complete the challenge. They had some lovely ideas. Hopefully they will also use kind hands, feet and words at home.

White Post Farm

Next half term we will be learning about farms and farm animals. To link in with this, we have booked a trip to White Post Farm on Tuesday 17th June. Children will get the opportunity to see and learn about a range of farm animals during the day. You will be receiving a letter soon with more information including the cost. School will be putting money towards the cost of the trip but unfortunately we can't afford to cover the whole cost.