



Year One Newsletter

Week Beginning: 22nd May 2023




Topic: Nature Detectives

Which plants would you put into the new planters and why?

****Horniman Gardens trip this Tuesday May 23rd****

The weather is looking good so sensible shoes and clothing would be ideal along with a suitable bag for their packed lunch. We will be back to school for normal pick up.

AUTHOR VISIT!!!*Deadline for 'Speak Up' and/or back catalogue titles order form is also this Tuesday May 23rd.

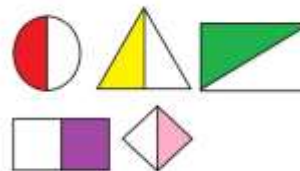
What's Happening Next Week:	How You Can Help at Home:
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Answering our Unifying Question!</u></p> <p>This week the children will answer the unifying question which has been on this newsletter each week!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Which plants would you put into the new planters and why?</p> <p>Each child will take inspiration from our trips to Ladywell and our visit to the Horniman on Tuesday to come up with which plants they would plant in our new planters. They'll write a letter to try to <i>persuade</i> Mrs Grimes to choose their ideas for the planters.</p> 	<p>Does your child have any favourite plants that they might want in our new planters? They could do a quick drawing and note down the name, so that when we come to write about the planters they have the information they need.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phonics</u></p> <p>This week children will re-visit the sounds...</p> <p>ph phone wh wheel ie shield g giant</p> 	<p>How many of these sounds can you spot in any of the books you read this week?</p> <p>How many of the tricky words can your child get into a sentence? Can your child get all of them into a single sentence?</p>

Tricky words: friend once our because laugh

Maths – Halves

We'll be finding halves of shapes and objects next week. The children will start by trying to spot shapes and objects that have already been halved and will try to sort them from shapes that haven't been halved. In following days the children will cut out regular shapes and fold them in half, then record the halves they've found.

You could help your child try finding halves of shapes yourself. Cut out some regular shapes for them; squares, triangles, circles and have them fold them in half. Are there any shapes that can be folded in half in different ways?



Science – Have our seedlings grown?

This week we will be taking a look at the seedlings we planted before Easter. Have they grown? How much have they grown? What parts of a plant can we identify? Are there any parts of a plant we can see but think will soon grow?

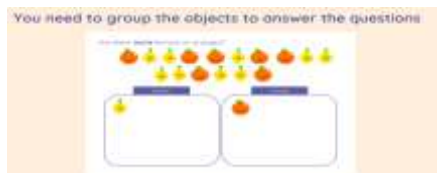
To support the learning this week do send in any pictures of your child with their plant via Dojo. We'd love to show everyone in the class how they've changed!



Computing – Answering Questions

The children will be in the computing suite again this week and will decide how to group objects to answer questions. They will compare their groups by thinking about how they are similar or different, and they will record what they find.

Like last week do keep practising those mouse and keyboard skills at home with your child – even using the mousepad on a laptop will be beneficial. Paint is a great program for your child have fun with whilst brushing up on these skills.

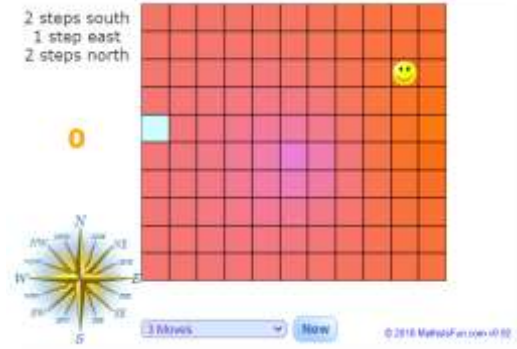


Geography – Map design

This week the children will be using their keys to design a map of important features in the school grounds. They will be drawing maps from an aerial perspective.

Why not have your child follow this link to put their compass skills to the test. Follow the instructions and click on the final destination.
Good luck!

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/games/direction-nsew-.html>



RE – Churches

This week we will continue to look at churches. We will be learning about what features you are likely to find in a church and what they are used for.



Have a lovely weekend.

The Year 1 team 😊