

Year 2 Spring 2019

Dear Parents/carers,

### Scented Garden



“Flowers always make people better, happier and more helpful; they are sunshine, food and medicine for the soul.” Luther Burbank

We are so excited to introduce our second topic, ‘Scented Garden.’ Visitors to our classroom may be surprised to see that we have an assortment of large mini-beasts to meet. In English we will be beginning our author study of Roald Dahl, starting with James and the Giant Peach. We will be studying the text in detail, using Roald Dahl’s poetry and descriptions as a base for our creative writing.

In Geography we will be examining plants in our local area and then contrasting this with a study of plants found in the Brazillian Rainforest. After half term, our History will focus on David Attenborough and his contributions to scientific broadcasting.

In Design Technology the children will be experimenting with scents as they make scented playdough. They will also be making models of the giant flowers and leaves which we might find in the rainforest to link with our Geography work. Finally, they will be combining this learning to design their own fantasy scented garden, making maps, plans and models.

During our Science sessions, the children will be learning about plants and what they need to help them to grow. The children will be designing their own experiments to see which type of soil is best for growing plants and we will be developing our own part of the school garden to apply our findings. We are looking forward to visiting the kitchen garden at Clumber Park later this half term to share what we have learned!

In ICT the children will be learning to present information in a variety of ways. PE will continue to take place on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that the children have a suitable change of clothes to enable them to take part.

In Maths the children will be learning about multiplication and division. We will also be continuing our work on measurement, including telling the time.

We do hope your child/ren continue to enjoy their time in Year 2 but if you do have any concerns about your child please come and see us after school.

Thank you,

Mrs Davies and Mrs Bell

