



This term our values will be **honesty** and **courage**.

**Year 1 and year 2 PE days:** Mondays and Thursdays

**BANK HOLIDAY – school closed:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

**PTA Bingo evening:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May

**Class Photo Day:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

**HALF TERM – school closed:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

**June:** swimming lessons start (days for each year group TBC) – please pay via Arbor or at the school office

**PTA Colour Run:** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June after school

**Sports Day (Years 1-6):** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

**INSET DAY – school closed:** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July

**PTA Summer BBQ:** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July

**END OF TERM (school finishes at 2pm):** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## The Big Idea

We will explore different plants, including fruits and vegetables, and how they grow.

In Geography and History, we'll be learning

- All about London, including physical and human features
- The history of the Tower of London and Westminster Abbey.

In PSHCE, we'll be learning

- To care for our environment
- to keep healthy by eating well

As readers and writers we will

- Read the story "Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs" and write our own adventure stories.
- Retell the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and read the alternative version 'Jim and the Beanstalk'.

As designers we will

- Understand where food comes from
- Use the basic principles of a healthy and varied diet to prepare dishes

In science, we'll be learning

- the role of the root in anchoring the plant
- that water and minerals are transported through the stem to other parts of the plant
- the effects of light, air, water and temperature on plant growth.

## How you can help at home

Please send in spare seed packets you might have at home so we can do some extra planting!

You can help by growing plants at home with your child. These might be herbs on a windowsill, cress on some cotton wool or vegetables in the garden.

Most importantly, the children need to talk about what they see in the world around them – so chat!

It is still vital that you are listening to your child read at least 3 times a week. Please record this in their reading record as these are checked weekly by the school.

## Phonics screening check:

Year 1 and any year 2s who have not previously passed will be doing a phonics screening check in June. Reading at home with your child or practicing with phonics games like "picnic on pluto" will really help to prepare your child –

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/2/picnic-on-pluto>