# **Hedgehog Class. Summer 1. 2025.**



Dear Hedgehog Families.

Welcome back to the summer term at school.

If you have any questions, please do ask, and don't forget to watch out for posts on Tapestry.

### **English** -

Our text this half term is called The Extraordinary Gardener by Sam Boughton. This charming story is about the important of nature and community, teaching us that if we work hard enough our dreams really can come true. We will be writing transformation stories!

EXTRAORDINARY
GARDENER
Jam Coughilan

Joe is a boy just like any other, but Joe loves to imagine. Joe lives in a pretty ordinary tower block, in a rather ordinary city. His world is rather grey. However, he spends his time imagining a wonderful world filled with exotic plants and unusual animals. Once day Joe decides to plant a seed on his balcony, he waits and waits but nothing happens!

Joe gives up and goes back to his daily life, but one day when he least expects it, he spots that the seed has turned into the most beautiful tree. Joe begins caring for the tree and growing lots of other plants on his balcony and soon everyone in the neighbourhood is getting involved.

The children will continue with their phonics learning, and their weekly reading books will be sent home as before. If you are able to hear them read at any time at home, please do – this is so helpful.



There will be lots of chances to develop independent writing skills, and a focus on letter formation.



### Maths -

In our learning here, we use the Numberblocks programme from CBeebies.

These are matched to the learning done in Y1 and in EYFS to support the children with the number work being done that week.

This half term, the year 1 children will be looking at multiplication & division and fractions!

The EYFS children will be learning about odds & evens, partitioning numbers and making equal groups.



#### History

In our history this half term we will be finding out about different explorers and how they changed the world with what they found.

#### DT.

This half term will be very exciting because we will be cooking! The children will be finding out about food and where it comes from, and making some delicious things to try.



### Science.

We will be looking at different plants and where they live, and also planting some things of our own and watching them grow.

We will be working scientifically – by asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways.



# Computing.



This half term is all about digital writing. We will be typing – using the keyboard, and finding out how to change what we have done using different keys.

We will of course also be covering Online Safety.



# Music.

We will be developing a song by composing new words and adding movements and props. We will learn a new song using a call-andresponse structure. The children will also play sea sound effects on percussion instruments.

## Religious Education.

We will be finding out about the Jewish celebration of Shabbat.



Personal Education - This is split into year groups.

Year 1 children will find out about different diseases that they can easily catch...colds etc., and how to keep healthy.

The EYFS children will find out about personal privacy and how this should be respected.



#### PE.

Mr Reeve will continue to come into school on a Wednesday to deliver our PE lessons.

**PHYSICAL** Full PE kit is needed for both of these days – the children are not required to **EDUCATION** come into school wearing normal uniform.

### Forest School.

As before, we will be spending part of each Friday outside with Liz. Wellies and suitable outdoor clothing is needed for this.



Please remember that named water bottles and book bags are needed in school every day.

If you have any questions, please do ask us. Thankyou.