

## CLITHEROE ST JAMES' C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents.

## Welcome back to a new half-term in Willow Class.

Our overall theme this half term is "Growth and Green Fingers".

I would like to start by thanking you for your kind words and support last half term, following the loss of my Dad. It was greatly appreciated.

We have a busy half term ahead as we will be enjoying some STEM activities (science, technology, engineering & maths) in the final week of term. It is **World Book Day** on 7<sup>th</sup> March and we have a special whole school performance on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, to celebrate and promote a love of reading and books. Watch out for more information about these events in the school Newsletter! Willow Class will also be enjoying four Forest School sessions in the Eco Zone, starting on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Please see the letter sent out at the end of last half term for important information about the Forest School sessions.

Our **English** lessons will follow the theme of Growing. We will start off with the well-known traditional tale, Jack and the Beanstalk, and then we will read and enjoy an alternative version of this story. We will also be looking at some information books about Plants. As well as finding out what plants are growing in the Eco Zone, we will be planting some of our own seeds. This will help us as we begin to write our own instructions and explanations. As part of our DT work, we will be promoting healthy food options and making vegetable soup. We will also find out about some artists who used food and plants as their inspiration!

In Maths we will continue to work on multiplication & division (2x, 5x) and 10x; before moving on to measuring length, capacity and mass. In Computing the children will be learning about grouping data and information, as well as continuing to consider the importance of online safety. R.E. lessons this half-term will focus on the events of the first Easter. P.E. lessons will continue to take place on Mondays and Fridays.

If your child wishes to bring in any information or objects from home relating to our topics, then that would be most welcome. We do value your support with their reading, weekly spellings and maths homework task on Seesaw. We look forward to seeing you at one of the Parents' Evenings later this half term.



Yours sincerely, Mrs S Filder, Miss W Youngs and Mrs T Zulfi













