

GROWING

Week 3, - 25th March

This week In Oak class:

Maths

This week, we build on our understanding and explore addition by adding more. The focus for this step is on increasing a quantity by a given amount, while continuing to work within 10.

We will then move on to building on our understanding as we explore subtraction by taking away. Children will have experience of taking away objects in everyday life and this is built on by focusing on taking away more than 1 object. The focus is on decreasing a quantity by a given amount, while continuing to work within 10.



Expressive Arts and Design

Role play- We have a restaurant set up in our role play outside and the children have been displaying kindness and collaboration when playing together. This week we are going to think about money and how that would be used in the restaurant.

We will also begin to investigate different shades of a colour and how we make a colour a lighter or darker shade. We will experiment using Green this week.



Communication and Language and

Personal, Social and Emotional development

Our Growth Mindset character this week is the Curious Owl. We will be investigating the parts of plants and seeing if we can label them ourselves using the key vocabulary of roots, stem, flower and roots. Can we explain what job each of these do on a plant?

We are using the Loxwood Learner code and looking at how we can look after each other and our classroom. How many of our Loxwood learner codes can we remember?

This week we working on asking and answering questions when we are sitting on the carpet during learning time.

Understanding of the world

This term we are learning about 'Growing.' We will be looking at the parts of plants this week to see if we can name them and then will even be planting our own bean plants and watching them grow over the next few weeks.

We have also been exploring the features of non-fiction information texts and we will continue to look at these when learning about growing and plants.



Literacy and Phonics

We are now either reviewing the single letter sounds or working on the Set 2 sounds which are the two letter (digraphs) for the vowel sounds, e.g. oo, ay, ee.

We are all reading simple cvc words by 'Fred talking the sounds' and then 'saying the words' and longer words too. The children are taking home reading books matched to where they are on their individual phonic journey words are bringing home their reading books to practise this skill with you. Please do write in their yellow reading records to let us know how they are doing with their reading at home.

You can watch the videos for the letter sounds on our school's virtual classroom on our website:

https://www.loxwoodschool.com/web/phonics_and_early_reading/635274

We are taking part in a daily writing task to learn how to use our phonics to spell words or learning how to write a sentence. This week our inspiration will be to design our own bus and imagine where it will take us on our trip.

Physical Development

Our PE day is on WEDNESDAY because we have our weekly slot with Mr Green. Please encourage your child to change their clothes independently at home for practise.

We are encouraging those children who are ready, to hold a pencil and forming the letter sounds that we have been learning.

Funky fingers- those children who are not reading to hold a pencil are taking part in funky fingers activities which are activities designed to strengthen the fine motor control in their fingers to get them ready to hold a pencil.

