

## What will we be learning?

Our topic is entitled 'How does your garden grow?' We will be focusing on plants as living things and what they need to survive. We will be carrying out an experiment to help us determine those needs and will focus on how we go about recording our results in various ways. In art we will be looking at a new artist - Monet - and be focusing on how he created his garden pictures thinking about the colour and light and as well as experimenting with water colours. In History we will be thinking back to both World Wars and how food was rationed and the importance of people growing their own food in their gardens. We will also be finding out how gardens were used when our parents and grandparents were little. We will be linking this to how the house and home itself has changed over the years and this will culminate in our trip to Abbey House. In Geography we will be locating counties that will be taking part in the 2017 World Championships in Athletics to be held in London between 5<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> August. We will also be using compass points to help us navigate from one place to another, both on an atlas and in the real world with regards to PE as well as the allotments and gardens that we will design. In literacy we will not be looking at a specific author this half-term but instead thinking a lot about non-fiction writing and writing letters as well as diary entries by relating them to our topic and sporting themes. In maths we will be spend the half-term consolidating all the strategies we have learnt this year so far so that we have a secure basis from which to work on for Year 3. This half term in PE we will be looking at simple orienteering and outdoor athletics in preparation for our sports day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

## Other Information

Here are some dates for the diary but we will keep you updated with more information as the weeks go on:

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Come as you please day

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June - Summer fair - 3pm to 6pm

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Year 2 Recorder Concert for parents and family - NOTE CHANGE OF DATE sorry for any inconvenience this change in date may have caused. Timing 2.40 - 3 pm.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July - School Disco

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Year 2 school trip - details already out in a letter. Some permission slips still needed.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day - 10.30 am KS1 and 1.30 pm KS2. Whole school Picnic for lunchtime.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July - School finishes for the summer holidays at 2 pm. PTA balloon release at 1.30 pm.

# Summer 2 Year 2

## The Year 2 Team

Miss Bellido,  
Miss Cuthbertson,  
Mrs Taylor & Mrs  
Erwin



There are lots of plants in the world around us. Which are your favourites? Why?

## PE Days

Wednesday - outdoor - athletics

Thursday - outdoor - orienteering

This half term we will be looking ahead to our sports day on the 14<sup>th</sup> July and practising our athletics skills. We will also be linking this to the 2017 London World Championships.

In orienteering we will be thinking about our map skills and learning orienteering techniques and linking this to compass points.

**Please make sure children have both an indoor and outdoor PE kit as well as trainers and that ALL clothes are clearly labelled as we have had a few items misplaced!**

## Year 2 Recorder Concert

Year 2 have been learning how to play the recorder since February and have made fantastic progress. We are now building up to our end of year concert which will be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 2.40 pm. We hope that you can join us. We would also like to invite any children who have their own recorders to bring them in to class to practise with in school. As I know some children have said they have their own. Just let Miss Bellido know that you will be doing this.



Our new artist - Claude Monet

## Homework

**Spellings** - spellings will be sent home on Wednesdays for children to practise ready for a test the following Tuesday.

**Numeracy and Literacy** - homework will vary each week and will be sent home on Fridays, to be handed in on Wednesdays, please.

**Learning Logs** - this will be handed out at least once every half-term and remember the children can be as creative as they like!

**Extra Handwriting** - for those who do have extra handwriting practise please complete and hand in when you can and we will endeavour to get another task sent out as soon as possible.

**Reading** - your child will have a home reader and a school library book. Home readers can be changed any day of the week and library books on a Friday.