Year 2 Autumn Term 1

Learning Planner

This Autumn, Year 2 will be looking at Seasons and how the environment changes throughout the year. The children will be using the knowledge acquired to become enthusiastic gardeners.

Connect & Wonder

A very special visitor will be waiting in the outdoor classroom to talk to the children about the importance of seasons and weather.

The children will be invited to help Mrs Roots plant some of her vegetables such as onions and cucumbers.

For the Love of Reading

Our story this half term is The Tin Forest. The children will learn all about a man who lives in the middle of a windswept wasteland full of discarded scrap metal. In spite of his gloomy surroundings, he dreams every night of a lively forest full of trees, birds, and animals. When he finds a broken light fixture that looks like a flower, his imagination is sparked... What will he create?

Role play Area- A garden centre. The role play area will be filled with gardening tools, seeds, plant pots, watering cans and soil to encourage green fingers!

Investigate & Construct

- **Geography:** Our topic for this half term will focus upon the question 'What are seasons?' We will be exploring the four seasons, how they change and we will be describing these changes. We will also be observing the weather and learning about why the weather changes.
- **Science:** In science we will be identifying that what a habitat is and why they are important. We will also learn how different habitats provide the basic needs to different kinds of animals and plants.
- **PSHE-** In PSHE we will be discussing what makes a good friend and how can we ensure that we show the qualities of being a good friend to others.
- **Art-** This half term we will be painting trees to show the impact of the seasons. Exploring the colour wheel and how we can create different colours.
- **Maths** – In Maths we will be looking at place value of numbers up to 50. We will also be adding and subtracting and using this concept within problem solving.

Express & Reflect

Mrs Roots will revisit to see what Year 2 have learnt about Seasons. The children will create a presentation to showcase all of their learning from this half term.

Key Vocabulary

Seasons	Weather	soil
Autumn	temperature	nature
Winter	observe	habitats
Summer	report	food chains
Spring	predict	nutrients
months	climate	change