

Class Term 5 – On Our Doorstep

Dear Parents,

Our next topic will be 'On our doorstep'. In this **Geography**-driven theme, we will identify key features of Bristol, our local area and our school, referring to both physical and human features. We will also learn to use the locational language of north, south, east and west, and use grid references to draw and illustrate a map of our school.

In **Science**, we will explore the basic structure of plants, describe the growth of seeds and bulbs and observe plants in their natural habitats. In **DT**, we will learn about fruits and vegetables and use tools such as peelers and blenders to make delicious fruit smoothies.

In our **English** learning, we will be using the story 'The Green Giant' by Katie Cottle to explore fiction and non-fiction. We will continue to focus on writing super sentences and joining some with 'and'. In our writing, we will continue to focus on consistently using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops as well as applying phonic knowledge and spelling a greater number of red words accurately.

In **Maths**, we will focus on multiplication and division.

Homework

Maths: Children are required to complete their Doodle Maths homework (staying in the green zone, achieved by collecting their weekly target stars). This is monitored in school and those not completing it will be expected to do so on a Friday.

Reading: Children are required to read with an adult 4 times a week at home and this should be recorded in their planner. This is checked on Mondays.

Spellings: Children are required to complete their weekly spellings. This is checked on Mondays.

PE will continue on a Tuesday and Friday, and we will continue to visit Copse Corner on a Monday. Please ensure your children have PE kits and forest school kits in school every day, including a spare pair of socks in case of wet feet.

Wishing you all a happy Easter break and see you in term 5.

The Year 1 team

