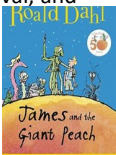





## Year 3—Spring 2 Topic Overview

We are thrilled to introduce our exciting topic for this half term: "Grow For It!" Throughout the coming weeks, the children will embark on a journey of discovery as we delve into various aspects of gardening and plant growth. From cultivating vegetables to engaging in a sunflower growing competition, exploring seasonal produce, and creating their own savoury snacks, this immersive experience promises to nurture not only the children's green thumbs but also their understanding of the natural world around them. Get ready for a hands-on adventure filled with growth, creativity, and delicious discoveries!

### Grow for it!

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reading</b></p> <p>In Book Talk lessons, we are reading, 'James and the Giant Peach' where we learn about George's adventure inside of a giant peach! This half term, we will be focussing on prediction, skimming, scanning, text marking, retrieval, and inference skills.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Writing</b></p> <p>In English lessons, we are reading, 'The Selfish Giant'. In our writing, we will be writing a recount from the boy's point of view to inform the Giant of how he made him feel. We will focus on using emotive vocabulary in our sentences.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Maths</b></p> <p>In maths, we will be continuing to learn about length and perimeter, understanding the concept of perimeter as the distance around the edge of a shape, and learning to calculate the perimeter by adding the lengths of all the shapes. After this, we will be exploring and comparing fractions as well as mass and capacity. Alongside this, in our Maths Fluency lessons, we will be consolidating our 5, 3, 4 and 8 times tables.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DT</b></p> <p>In DT, we are diving into the concept of seasonality and its impact on our food choices. The children will have the opportunity to explore seasonal vegetables, learning about their availability and nutritional benefits. The children will then design and make their own seasonal savoury item.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PSHE</b> (Personal, Social, Health Education)</p> <p>This half term the theme is 'Healthy, Happy Me'. We will be learning about the 'Eatwell Guide', practicing good hygiene habits, and learning about the vital organs in our bodies.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science</b></p> <p>In Science, we will be delving into the fascinating world of plants and how they grow. Throughout this unit, the children will discover the fascinating process of how plants grow, to seed to maturity. Through hands-on experiments, observation, and interactive lessons, we aim to cultivate a deeper understanding and appreciation for the natural world around us.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Art</b></p> <p>In Art this half term we will be focusing on 'sculpture' using clay. We will practise a variety of clay joining techniques to help us sculpt a clay tile with a flower design linking to our 'Grow For It' topic.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Games and PE</b></p> <p>In Games, we will be developing our tennis skills by learning how to use our hand-eye coordination and agility. We will also use our PE lessons to develop our agility, flexibility and balance through gymnastics.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RE (Religious Education)</b></p> <p>Our concept in RE is 'Changing Emotions'; we will be learning about the importance of the Easter story for Christians.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>French</b></p> <p>In French this half term our focus is 'I Am Able'. We will be learning to recognise and recall up to 10 instruments in French. We will also learn to say and write 'je joue' (I play) in French.</p>		

### Key Dates:

World Book Day—Thursday 6th March.

Reading Café—3rd March (Winston), 10th March (Empire), 12th March (Russet), 17th March (Bramley)

Cooking with Aspens—Date TBC.

PE Days (Please wear PE kit on these days):      **Elm**— Monday and Wednesday   **Ash**— Tuesday and Wednesday   **Oak** - Monday and Friday

Homework reminders - completion of homework tasks will be rewarded with Effort Marks:

**Spelling** - your child will have their weekly spellings stuck into their home school diary. These will be practised in school ready for a test every **Friday**. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings at home using the games on Spelling Shed. Your child's log-in details can be found in their home school diary.

**Reading** - x5 weekly at home Please sign your child's home school diary .

Your child will receive a maths or English homework. This task will be handed out on a Friday and will be due in on a Thursday.

**TTRS**- Please encourage your child to log on and use Times Table Rockstars to practise their multiplication tables.