### **Key Dates**

**School Opens** 

Tuesday 18th April

Welcome meeting for new parents

Wednesday 19th April

**Eid Party** 

Wednesday 26th April

School Closed May Day

Monday 1st May

Picnic/Garden Party

Friday 5th May

**School Closed Coronation Day** 

Monday 8th May

Plant a sunflower Family Day

Wednesday 10th May

Close for Half Term

Friday 26th May

SAVE THE DATE

**Bridlington Seaside Trip** 

### Wednesday 5th July

Look out for our Recipe each month— A healthy option that we will be making in school and that you can try at home.



Download the **50 things to before your five** app.

Look out for the 50 things activities on our weekly What's Happening

### Follow us on Facebook



Please download the Learning Journals app.

You can share what your child enjoys doing and photographs of your child's learning at home too.



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# This Term in Blue, Green, Purple and Orange Room



Summer 1 2023

More detailed plans are done on a weekly basis. These are displayed for you to view but please ask if you would like your own copy. We will also keep you updated in our weekly 'What's Happening'.

Jeśli potrzebujesz tlumaczenia na jezyk polski uzyj numeru.

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### THIS HALF-TERM IN GREEN, BLUE, PURPLE and ORANGE ROOM

# **Extending Children's Knowledge Following children's interests**

#### **Shadows**

The children have been noticing their shadows when playing outside and commenting on how their shadow can change. We will use the poem 'My Shadow' by Robert Louis Stevenson which contains some



beautiful illustrations that will inspire children to experiment with their own shadows. We will explore the concept of light and dark and find out what makes a shadow through making shadow puppets. We will observe how shadows outside change as the sun moves throughout the day discussing the timings of the day.

### **Exploring Magnets**

The children have been taking the magnets from the easel and shown fascination as they have tried them out on other surfaces around the room. We will extend this as part of learning about and understanding the world we live in. Magnetism is a force that can be felt but not seen. We will explore scientific properties

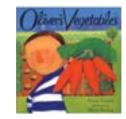


in a simple way using questions and lots of open ended activities. We will look at magnetic materials and attraction. The children will have the opportunity to learn about the world through their observations as they uncover the cause and effect relationship of what magnets do and feel the force of push and pull.

### Introducing New Knowledge and Skills This is what we will teach the children

### **Core Story in Green and Blue Room**

This story has wonderful illustrations. Through regularly sharing this book and discussing our ideas and responses the children will learn a wider range of vocabulary. We will encourage the children to retell the story in their own words and take on the role of the



characters. We will also be reading 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' and 'Oliver's Milkshake.'

### **Core Story in Purple and Orange Room**

Our Core story contains great illustrations that provide excellent visual cues for understanding what Jasper does in his garden. We will sequence the days and what happens to the beanstalk as it eventually begins to grow. We will focus on Jasper's facial expressions to find out how he is feeling.



### **Celebrations and Festivals**

We will celebrate Eid as a school. We will talk about waiting for the moon and share stories of how different families hold celebrations.



### **Growing Plants**

We will learn about the essential ingredients plants need to grow. We will investigate the seeds of a variety of fruits and vegetables. We will hold a sunflower day and plant seeds over the following week, observing growth, shape and form of the seeds. We will learn about the importance of bees and pollination for the planet.



## Things you can do to support your child's learning

Your child will benefit from any amount of time you spend together doing simple things; singing songs, sharing books, baking, going for walk, anything that involves you chatting and playing together.

### **Keeping Healthy—Be active outdoors**

Playing outside with simple ball games is a lot of fun; it helps develop gross motor skills but also plays in a role in developing language and social skills.



Take your children to the local park. Passing a ball back and forth helps children understand whose turn it is next and teaches them about sharing, playing together and are important social skills necessary for a successful conversation.



We will be celebrating the Coronation Of King Charles by performing songs and recording them to create a CD. We are so fortunate to be able to witness this historical and momentous event. The children will be singing well known favourite songs and also a brand new song written especially for the occasion "The King wears his crown today"

Come and join us on Friday 5th May for a garden party and picnic and hear the children perform some of the songs from our CD.