

# Coming up next week...09/05/2022

# REQUESTS:

Could your child please bring a potato to school by Tuesday. These do not need to be named. Ideally, it should be a small potato about the size of a golf ball. The older the better!

### Learning in school:

# Topic: Minibeasts and Growth

This next half term we will be learning about the different stages of plant and animal growth. We will be finding out about a variety of minibeasts and looking at similarities and differences between them and where we find them.

This week our focus will be growing. We will be learning about parts of a flower, planting seeds in our outside area and setting up a potato growing experiment so that we are able to watch the potato change and grow roots. We will also be watching our caterpillars growing and look at the changes in them each day.

#### Phonics:

This week we will be focussing on Phase 4 longer words and compound words. We will be reading and writing both longer words and compound words, for example forest, second, freshness and lunchbox. Our new tricky words will be: there, when, what, one.

#### Maths:

In Maths we will be learning about taking away from a number. As we did with addition, we will be making up subtraction stories and using the vocabulary: first, then and now.

## Home Learning:

For children that are self-isolating, we have resources on the school website for you to access. Visit the school website and select the Covid 19 tab then home learning or follow this link.

https://www.mead.surrey.sch.uk/covid-19/home-leanring

### Additional notes and reminders

# Homework

This half term, we will be focusing on writing. We will be sending home a different picture each week to stimulate writing. This will be sent home on a Tuesday. We have included a colour version of the picture below for children to have a closer look at.



Please can we have any junk modelling resources such as small boxes, tubes, plastic punnets, yogurts, plastic lids etc. Thank you.

## Class email addresses:

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.