

## Elm Class Reminders

**17th April;** CAFOD assembly and Catholic social teaching workshops with classes.

**22nd April;** Living Eggs arriving at school

**6th May;** Bank Holiday

### Book Bags and P.E. Kit

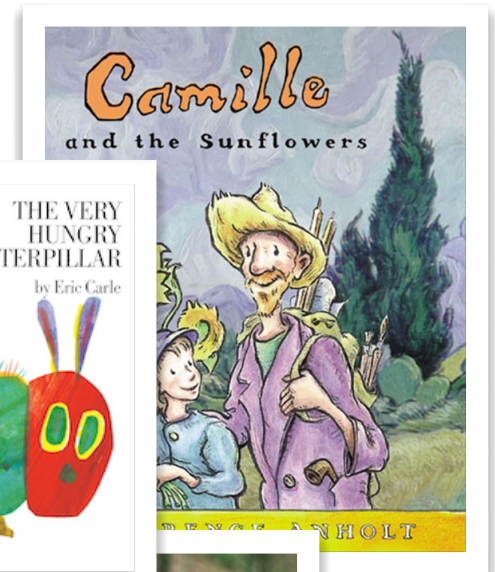
Please can you ensure that your child wears a named PE kit to school on Mondays and Fridays. Book bags and Reading Record booklets need to be in school every day.

### Coats

Please can you ensure that your child has a named coat to wear at school, whilst the weather remains rainy and colder.



# Roots, Shoots WELLY BOOTS



Reception/Year 1  
Summer Term 1, 2024



**We would welcome your support this half term with our plants topic. If you have any spare seeds or plants to donate for our bee friendly garden we would be very grateful.**

## English

All the children will continue to develop their phonic knowledge and reading skills during our Read, Write, Inc daily sessions. Using their letter sound knowledge the Reception children are attempting more independent writing during their continuous provision sessions. Year 1 are focussing on improving spelling accuracy and developing more consistent use of punctuation, including capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.

This term the children will be exploring a range of texts, including poetry, fiction and non fiction all connected to our plants and farming theme.

## RHSE/PSHE

The children will be exploring more about the life of Jesus, including the Ascension and the Holy Spirit. Father Anthony will also be supporting us to think about our Parish church and our Parish community and family.

## History

We will be using a variety of sources of information to learn more about how farming has changed over time.

## Music

We will be exploring rhythm and pitch as we learn a selection of plant and farming themed songs for the summer.

## Maths

Using a range of resources and practical activities both indoors and outside, the Reception children will be consolidating their knowledge of numbers to 10, exploring addition and subtraction strategies. Year 1 will continue counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and use arrays to help understand multiplication and division. Year 1 will learn how to find a half and a quarter of a shape or a quantity.

## Science

All the children will be learning more about plants this term. We will be looking at both plant structure and begin to name some common wild plants and trees in our local environment. We are excited to start gardening outdoors, planting flowers for bees and butterflies and vegetables to eat.

## P.E.

Our Reception P.E. sessions this half term will focus on developing the children's ball skills. Whilst the Year 1 children will be learning how to attack, defend and shoot with a ball in a range of different games.

