

## WHAT ARE WE DOING IN CLASS THIS TERM?

During this half term we will be covering a topic called  
**Sunshine and Sunflowers.**

**The main things your child will be learning and developing are an understanding of:-**

- ❖ An awareness of growing plants.
- ❖ A basic knowledge of how things grow
- ❖ The language and vocabulary related to growing plants
- ❖ The language and vocabulary related to adding and subtraction using a number line to 20 (**reception**)
- ❖ Revision of addition and subtraction within 20
- ❖ Counting two groups of objects to find out how many altogether (**nursery**)
- ❖ Recognising numbers to 10 (**nursery**)
- ❖ Practicing writing their own name (**nursery**)
- ❖ Writing about plants and seeds in sentences that can be read by others (**reception**)
- ❖ Learning to spell high frequency words to aid sentence writing, such as- **her are look said here (reception)**
- ❖ Practicing medial vowel digraphs **ai ar or oi ow igh ee oo oa air ear, er, ur** practicing writing and reading words using these sounds(**reception**)

**You can help by:-**

1. Talking to your child about planting seeds and growing plants
2. Counting two sets of everyday objects or toys, using language 'how many altogether?' **(nursery )**
3. Pointing out numbers to 10 in the environment i.e./ numbers on doors or car reg plates **(nursery )**
4. Encouraging your child to have a go at writing their name at home ensuring they hold their pencil with a tripod grip and only use a capital letter at the start of their name **(nursery)**
5. Reading with your child and practicing their keywords or spellings and **ensuring their reading folder comes into school everyday (reception)**
6. Encouraging your child to have a go at writing simple sentences. Ensure they leave finger spaces between words and have a good attempt at spelling using the sounds they know.**(reception)**

Thank you for your support Foundation stage teachers:  
Mrs Doyle/Mrs Dunlevy

**Reminder**

**Reception children should come into the cloakroom on their own to hang up coats in the morning**

**Nursery children should be left at the classroom door**

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