

# **Y5 SUMMER 2:** **ALLOTMENTS**



Let's grow! A crispy carrot, a luscious lettuce or a tasty tomato. Dig deep and put your back into it, making your own tubs and planters and nurturing your greens. Harvest your crops and make soups and dishes of seasonal foods that taste delicious. Learn about farms and where foods come from, writing reports on world-wide produce. Discover which allotments are closest to your school, and open the door to a secret garden.

Then establish your own farmers' market, harvesting your crops and selling local produce. Include garden crafts and work out your prices, be sure to make a profit and not a loss!

## Spring 2 dates:

Monday 12th - Thursday 15th June - Group 1 bikeability

Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd June - Group 2 bikeability

Monday 27th - Thursday 29th June - Group 3 bikeability

Tuesday 11th July- KS2 Sports Day

## Attendance and lates:

Please can we remind everyone of the importance of being on time in school. School opens at 8:40am and we encourage all children to be "On Time, In School" everyday so they can get the most out of their learning. Any child arriving after this time will be recorded as late. There is the possibility that children can attend breakfast club, which starts at 8:10am each morning.

## Rights Respecting Schools Award:

At Thorntree, are continuing to teach children about respect and understanding different cultures through our Jigsaw PHSE and Rights Respecting Schools Award. Throughout the curriculum, pupils will learn all about different cultures and different ways of life and how they are similar or different to our own. We are really proud of the way the children interact during family group sessions every Friday.

## Useful websites:

[www.thorntreeprimary.eschools.co.uk/website](http://www.thorntreeprimary.eschools.co.uk/website)

[www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login) (bug club)

<https://tootoot.co.uk/>

### English

Y5 will have the opportunity to write for a wide range of different purposes this half term. These include: story settings based on magical allotments, poetry and explanation texts regarding the water cycle. In addition, at the end of each week, children will be asked complete a piece of sustained, independent writing demonstrating what they have learnt.



### Maths:

Children will consolidate their knowledge of the number and place value. Children will apply these skills through a series of deepened learning opportunities. Children also will be working with fractions, and identifying statistics and measures. Children will also be given the opportunity to practise maths strategies during 5 a Day sessions.



### Topic:

This half term, we are going to look at:

- \* Land use; Origins of foods; Geographical Skills and Fieldwork; Map work; Climate.
- \* Cooking and nutrition; Making planters; Making Structures for Growing Plants.
- \* Plant Reproduction and Lifecycles of Mammals, Amphibians, Insects and Birds.



### PE:

PE will take place on Thursday and Friday afternoons this half term. Please ensure that kit is in school for these days. This is very important as we have limited spares for children to use. PE kits should be washed at the end of every week and returned to school on a Monday. Please ensure your child's name is written in their PE kit.

### Homework:

Topic homework: Our new homework scheme is up and running and we received some excellent homework so far this term. Please remember, some evidence of homework is expected every Monday. Homework club is available to all children every Thursday.

Spellings: A weekly spelling activity will be sent home to consolidate the week's spelling rule.

Home reading books: We would like children to bring their home reading record to school each day. In Y5, we expect children to be reading for a minimum of 10-15 minutes at least 3 nights per week.

Reading Plus: Children have been issued with a Reading Plus login for additional reading tasks. Please encourage the use of this fantastic resource at home.