

Riverside Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter for Families:

April 2026

Year 1

This half term our theme is:

Let's Grow



Welcome Year 1 to the first half of the Summer Term and to our half-termly curriculum update newsletter! This newsletter is where you can find out all about what your child will be learning over the coming weeks, along with ideas and suggestions for some activities you could try to support their learning at home.

What are we learning during this theme?

This half term in Science we will be exploring flowers and plants, looking at the different parts and how they grow. We will also be looking at different types of fruits and planning and making a fruit salad as part of Design and Technology. We will also be looking at growing and changing and healthy food within our PSHE lessons.

Trips, Visitors and Experiences

This half term we are planning to plant our own seeds and watch them grow. We are very excited to be exploring the school gardens as part of our theme and will be inviting Mrs Jellet into school to help us learn more about what we are growing in school and how to care for plants and flowers.

How can you support your child at home?

Please complete your CPG maths / phonics homework books.

Please support your child in learning their weekly spellings using the look, say, cover, write, check method. The children will complete a 'spelling quiz' every Monday.

Share your child's reading book at home - we encourage 5 reads per week to earn team points in school.

In addition to this, please find some suggestions below on how to support your child's learning.

Days out and things to do:

Revise previously learned phonics using phonics play:

[Phonics Play](#)



Visit a local park or gardens and search for different types of flowers and plants.



Visit parks, gardens or woodland areas to explore their wonderful collection of plants and flowers.



Design and make your own fruit snacks.

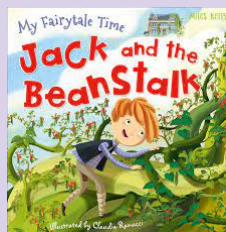
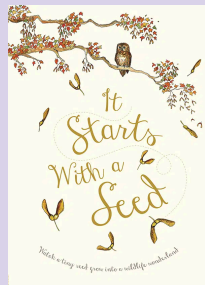
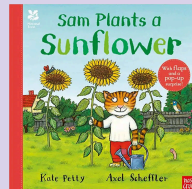
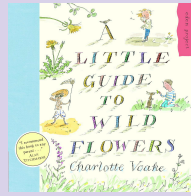


Plant a bulb, seed or bean at home and watch it grow.



Books to read:

Share a fiction or non-fiction text about plants or flowers.:



Things to watch:

[Alphablocks](#)



[Numberblocks](#)



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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000gqpr/jojo-gran-gran-series-1-spring-9-its-time-to-grow-a-flower>

