



John Blandy Primary School

Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great first week back with some sunshine after weeks of rain! The children have enjoyed spending more time outdoors now and we have spotted some signs of spring including daffodils! We are looking forward to lots more exciting learning this term. It is incredible to think that we are halfway through the academic year already!

Curriculum

Please see the attached sheet which outlines our curriculum this term. It is titled 'Growing.' We are focussing on three texts this term: The Enormous Turnip, Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell and The Odd Egg by Emily Gravett. We are going to be exploring how plants and animals grow and change, including the life cycle of the hen and other animals that hatch out of eggs.

Reading at Home

Thank you so much for your continued support with your child's reading at home. Please remember to record all reading in your child's reading diary. This really helps us to get a picture of how your child is engaging with books and stories at home. You do not have to only record school books, it can include other reading your child might be doing e.g. reading a shopping list, labels on food packets, signs when out and about, helping read a bedtime story etc. Do check your child's bookbag regularly for new reading challenges from school as these will come home on different days. As a school, we encourage children to be reading to parent/carer or family member or friend at home, at least 5 times a week. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to talk to us.

Forest School

Birch class have started Forest School again on Tuesday afternoons so thank you for remembering to send in their clothes for this week. Birch class will continue with Forest School for all this term. Oak class will start Forest School again next start, and their first session will start on Tuesday 14th April. They will need their Forest School clothes on that day please.

Community Cafe

Thank you to everyone who came to Oak Class Community Café this week. The children had a fantastic time and your comments and feedback were lovely. Birch class will have their Community Café on Wednesday 11th March at 2pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Junk modelling items

We would still love to receive any recycling items for our junk modelling. Please do save boxes, pots and cartons to bring in so the children can use their imaginations!

PE days

Oak class PE days continue as Friday each week. Birch Class continue as Wednesday. Please ensure your child has a kit in school that includes trainers please.

Warmest regards,

The Reception Team

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