

## Reception

# **Welcome to Spring 2**

## Our topic this term is Leaves, Life and Landscapes



Our Fiction story is The Very Hungry Caterpillar. This story offers multiple learning opportunities learning the days of the week, teaching about the life cycle of a butterfly, and leads well into discussions about which foods are healthy and what that means for our bodies. Our non-fiction text is a focus on India, where the children will be writing their own fact file. We will continue to develop the children's word and sentence writing, focusing on the use of a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop. We will continue with our Phase 2 and 3 Phonics and continue to develop our skills in applying our Phonics in our reading and writing. Children must continue to read daily at home. Please remember to sign your child's monkey book to show you have read with them.

LITERACY

#### MATHS

We shall be continuing our work on number bonds to 5, as well as exploring the composition of numbers up to 10.

We will be learning about different 2D shapes and comparing them to one another, as well as identifying them within the environment. Children will also start to explore capacity through handson experiments with water and different sized containers. Children will learn to describe when something is full, half full and empty!



#### PHYISCAL DEVELOPMENT

Please make sure your child has PE kit in school. Our PE day is Wednesday. This term, we are continuing to build on our balancing skills and will be working on our hand/eye coordination and ball skills.

#### UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

We will be learning all about India! We will look at culture, weather, transport and food and compare life in India to life here in Leicester. We will also be looking at different life cycles – butterflies, frogs and plants. Key celebrations we will learn about include Ramadam, Holi, St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and Easter.

### **KEY DATES**

- $\mathbf{3}^{rd}$  and  $\mathbf{5}^{th}$  March: Parents Evening
- 5<sup>th</sup> March: Trip to the Botanical
- Gardens.
- **6<sup>th</sup> March**: World Book Day.
- **17<sup>th</sup> March:** wear green for St.
- Patrick's Day.
- **9<sup>th</sup> April**: Easter Bonnet Parade 2.45.