

# Year 2 News 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025





## What we've been learning recently

**English** – It was an absolute pleasure to read the children's versions of 'Slowly, slowly, slowly,' Said the Sloth; from 'Quickly, quickly, quickly,' Said the Jaguar to 'Snappily, snappily,' Said the Caiman. We have just started to explore the story The Great Kapok Tree, making inferences and predictions and identifying nouns, verbs and adjectives.

Maths – We have just started to introduce the children to the concepts of multiplication and division using the ideas of repeated addition and subtraction together with grouping and sharing. As always when introducing a new concept in maths, we have started by using concrete materials, ensuring that the children can manipulate numbers and see relationships. Following this work, we will activate Times Tables Rock Stars so that the children can begin to learn multiplication and division facts.

**Wider Curriculum** – We have been monitoring our seed investigation closely, as evidenced above. At present, it seems that plants need both light and water to grow but we will continue to monitor closely in case anything changes. Whilst we have waited for the results, we have been exploring human and physical features of countries of the UK.

## Over the next fortnight we will be...

- We will continue looking at the concepts of multiplication and division using concrete, pictorial and abstract methods.
- In English, we will continue reading The Great Kapok Tree and use this as a stimulus for writing persuasive letters to try to prevent rainforest deforestation.
- In Art, we will be looking at the work of artists Alice Fox and Rosie James, who both use nature to inspire them to create artwork using textiles.

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### **Important Notices**

**Trip to Eden** – This will take place next Thursday (6<sup>th</sup> February). We can't wait to be 'Rainforest Rangers', exploring the rainforest habitats as part of our Science and Geography learning. We are always grateful for parents helpers, so please do let us know if you can come along.

Save the Date: Year 2 Assembly – This will take place at 9am on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March and will last for no more than 30 minutes. The children will be delighted to share their learning with you. More details to follow.

## **Shining Stars**

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for demonstrating our school values.

2B – Daisy, Gabriel, Beau & Oscar

2W – Lillian, Monty, Bertie & Charlie