




Dear Parent/Carers,


We hope you had an enjoyable Easter break! We have been very pleased with how well the children have returned to school and settled back into their learning.

During English this week, we have re-read the fable “The Tortoise and the Hare” to remind ourselves of the story from before the holidays. As expert authors, we then rewrote the story with our own fast and slow characters! Some of us wrote “The Jaguar and the Sloth” whilst others penned “The Cheetah and The Snail”. The lesson of the fable remained the same; slow and steady wins the race! Many children were able to magpie some tricky vocabulary from the original text such as “bragged”, “boasted”, “challenged” and “triumphed” which really enriched their story. Keep up the super work Year 2 writers!

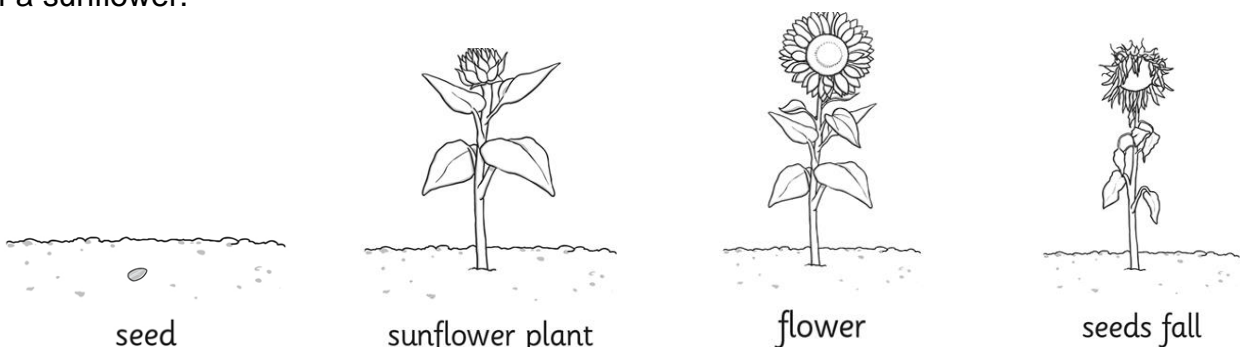
In Maths, we have learnt how to present data (information with numbers) in different ways such as pictograms, tally charts and bar graphs. We learnt how to draw different graphs, how to interpret them to answer questions and about different situations in which each one might be useful. Here is an example of the type of question that we have had a go at answering! Can you think of a question that could be asked about the pictogram below?

Hair Colour		Total
Black		5
Blonde		
Brown		9
Ginger		4

Key

 = 1 person

Our new Science topic is Plants and we started the topic by looking closely at plants in our school environment. We also spent the afternoon being gardeners and had a go at planting some seeds and bulbs. We have reminded ourselves about what plants need in order to grow and are making sure that we are watering our plants regularly. We then recapped the names of different parts of the plant and started to learn about the life cycle of a sunflower.



In Art, we have completed our very own self-portraits in the style of Frida Kahlo who was famous for sketching vibrant, colourful portraits of herself while she was bed-bound after an accident. For some examples of our expert artwork, which included the use of different gradients of sketching pencils, have a peek on the school Twitter page!

As always, thank you for your support.  
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