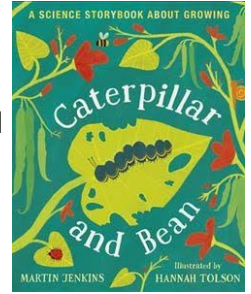


# Yellow Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! It is fantastic to have all the children back with big smiles on their faces. They are doing brilliantly, working hard and have settled back in beautifully. We are all so proud of them. Thank you so very much for all your continued support and hard work during lockdown. The home-schooling and effort you put into everything truly made a big difference.

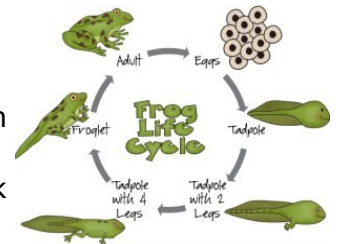
In Yellow Class, Miss Frankland is the class teacher and TAs are Mrs Shepherd and Mrs Phillips. Mr Miller will teach Yellow class on a Thursday morning. We continue to have PE on a Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing for PE outside as this will happen more and more, weather permitting. Willow Lane coloured PE T-shirts are ideal as they help with team games.



The weather is improving which means we will be doing more and more learning outside which we love in Yellow class! Over the next few weeks, we will be learning all about different animals, their survival and growth including life cycles. We will have some very special animal visitors and we also have a very exciting trip planned over the next few weeks. Watch this space!

## Yellow Class Information

In English at the moment we are learning all about Traditional Tales with a Twist. These are familiar stories with a difference. The children are already producing some super writing about characters and settings. After Easter, we will be reading a range of fascinating fiction and non-fiction books about animals. Caterpillar and Bean by Martin Jenkins will be one of our focus texts. We will be doing lots of writing around this. We will be learning all about explanation texts and explaining life cycles from our Science learning. In maths we will be learning all about 3D shapes and fractions and continuing to practice our calculation skills. In our science work we will be looking very closely at what makes an animal (including humans) alive and what its basic needs to survive are. We will also be learning about how animals have offspring that grow into adults and looking at a range of animals and their life cycles e.g. frogs, butterflies and chickens.



Here are some of the topic words we will be learning this half term. Please go through them and practice with your child.

**'survival' 'offspring' 'pupa' 'chrysalis' 'life cycle' 'alive' 'baby' 'egg' 'breathe' 'growth' 'frogspawn' 'froglet' 'tadpole' 'hatching' 'food chain' 'amphibian' 'insect'**

## Reading

Reading at home has really taken off in Yellow Class with so many children reading three times a week or more every week! Reading regularly has a huge impact on your child's learning—it really makes a difference. We reward all children who read three times a week or more every Friday. If you have any questions or want to know more about this, please get in touch.

## Learning at home

On the back of this letter, you will find some links / websites to learning your child can access at home if they happen to be at home (e.g. due to family self isolation) and well enough to learn. These will also be on the class page of the school website.

## Contacting me

If you have any questions or concerns about anything, please call the school office and arrange an appointment to speak over the phone. We can't have face to face conversations at the moment but that does not mean that we can't be in touch!

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss S. Frankland

# Yellow Class: The Circle of Life



Remote learning is to be used in the event of your child being unable to attend school e.g. whilst self-isolating awaiting a test result. This may only be needed for a few days or for 10 days and the lessons will support the learning and topics being taught this half-term in class. Children should also continue to read regularly and practise their times tables (Y2 to Y6) on TT Rock Stars. Children can share their learning with their teacher on Seesaw.

## English

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/explanation-how-birds-fly-a732>

Follow the link or Google search Oak National Academy: Year 2: English: How Birds Fly

Try to complete lessons 1-10 of this unit.

## Spelling and Grammar

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtr>

Follow the link or Google search BBC Bitesize KS1 Grammar

Watch the videos and find out and practice different types of words and

## Maths

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/graphs-a428>

Follow the link or Google search Oak National Academy: Year 2: Maths: Graphs

Try to complete 1-5 of this unit

## Science

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6882hv>

Follow the link or Google search BBC Bitesize: Animals including humans

Watch the videos and make notes and draw pictures for each section

## Music

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/pulse-and-metre-eeae>

Follow the link or Google search Oak National Academy: Year 2: Music: Pulse and Metre

Try to complete lessons 1-6 of this unit

## Other Useful Learning sites:

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Username: March 20 Password: home

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Username: willowyellow

Password: Willow1

## TT Rock Stars (trockstars.com)

User:.....

## Seesaw (web.seesaw.me)

User:.....