



Home Learning - Year 2 - Summer 1 2026

If your child would like to share any of the below activities with their teacher and class, these can come in to school for show and tell.

Daily Reading

Please read **every day** with your child, taking time to talk about the story, discuss the pictures and ask questions. **Reading folders must come in to school every day.** Books will be changed at least once a week. Read the story at home **at least 3 times** before changing the book to help embed long term word recognition and comprehension skills. This includes asking questions about the text (you will find helpful hints in your reading record) and reading more fluently and with greater intonation. Really encourage the exploration of any new vocabulary as well.

Where possible please also read to your child.

Please comment in your child's reading record at least once a week.

Phonics/Spelling

On the Year 2 class page of our school website, you will find a list of spellings to learn for this half term, sectioned into the relevant weeks. These will be words that link to our focus sound and spelling patterns from our daily Jungle Spelling lessons. Please help your child to learn their spellings and practise them regularly. Children need to be able to spell the words correctly in the context of a dictated sentence.

Maths

Number bonds to 10, 20, 50 and 100,

Practise to partition numbers into tens and ones (use Dienes/ Numicon pictures attached to support),

Practise the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division),

Practical learning with real-life scenarios such as sharing toys, Lego, using food and shopping.

Investigate measure (time, ingredients, weight and volume)

Reinforce fractions (finding halves, quarters and thirds of a given amount of something or by physically cutting and sharing something like a cake or pizza)

Regular times table practice is essential. In Year 2, we expect children to recall their **2-, 5- and 10- times table.**

Please use Numbots and TTRS online at home to practise maths.

Additional activities to support in class learning may be provided as appropriate.

Creative Home Learning Projects

Please find below a number of projects which the children are invited to choose from if they wish to complete in addition to the above, or consider other activities that you could do to link to our current learning in school.

Science	RE	Wellbeing
<p>Whether you get out into the garden, or make good use of a sunny windowsill, why not try growing some plants from either seeds or bulbs?</p> <p>The 'Bean in a bag' experiment (below) can be taped to a window and is a lovely way to see how the bean grows and changes over time. You could also keep a plant diary to observe and record the growth.</p>	<p>Explore stories of faith and courage related to the sea, such as the biblical story of Jesus calming the storm:</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uYLHqdSO9OY</p> <p>Create a comic strip depicting one of these stories and write a brief explanation of its significance.</p>	<p>Keep a diary of things and moments that make you happy. Each week, record something in it. For example: 'During a weekend walk, seeing the sunshine light up the sky made me feel happy' or 'Speaking to my grandparents on the phone made me smile'.</p>
PSHE	Art	English & Oracy
<p>Seaside Safety Poster - create a poster highlighting important safety tips for a day at the beach e.g. swimming with a lifeguard, staying close to an adult, wearing sunscreen etc.</p>	<p>Why not create some seaside art? (see examples below)</p> <p>If you have the opportunity to get to the seaside you could create a seaside collage with things like shells and stones. If you don't wish to stick it down, you could arrange it and photograph it instead.</p>	<p>Interview an older member of the family (or family friend) and ask them about their experiences of the seaside. Where did they go? How did they get there? Had they ever been before? Have they visited the same seaside location more recently? If so, how has it changed?</p>

How to Grow a Bean in a Bag Instruction Cards

Disclaimer: To ensure the safety of the children in your setting, it is your responsibility to assess whether adult supervision or other appropriate safety measures are required when carrying out any of these activities.

How to Grow a Bean in a Bag

You will need:

a ziplock bag



a paper towel



a jug of water



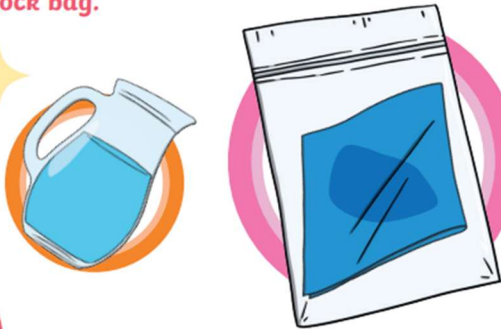
a bean seed

sticky tape



How to Grow a Bean in a Bag

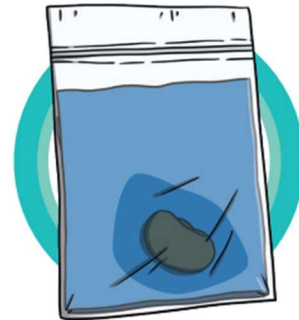
Wet the paper towel and put it in the ziplock bag.



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Put the bean on the paper towel and seal the bag.



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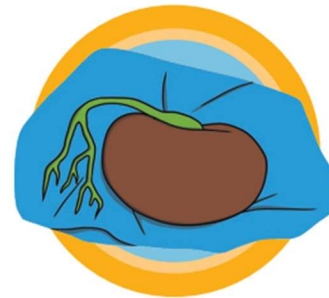
Use sticky tape to hang your bag in a warm, sunny spot. The bean will need this to germinate.



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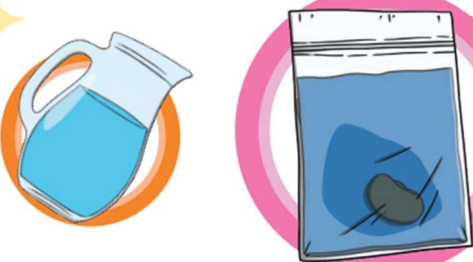
Your seed should begin to germinate after 3-5 days. Watch how it grows.



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Make sure you keep the paper towel moist. Add a bit of water if it has dried out.



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Put your bean plant into a pot or outside in some soil once it has been growing for about 2 weeks.



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