#### Communication and Language:

We will be learning to retell the stories of The smartest giant in town and Jack and the Beanstalk and thinking about how we use story language . We will role play stories and pretend to be the giant. We will learn new vocabulary involved with growing such as big, small, giant, tiny, huge, little, bigger smaller, biggest, smallest, growing, changing .

# Reading

We will continue actively listening to stories and information text to be able to answer questions about what we have heard and recall important facts. It is important to continue to read at home everyday practising blending skills and reading red words on sight.

## Writing

This term we will be focussing on thinking, holding and writing short sentences with finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. We will use our phonic skills to segment words to write them using the correct phonemes . We will also be continuing to work on our writing trying to use smaller neater letter and lower and upper case correctly.

#### Physical Development:

In PE we will be focusing on multi-skills and ball games. We will be practicing throwing and catching as well as co-ordination. As the weather improves, we will be moving our PE lessons outside. We will be also practise using tools including, hammers, scissors, snips and saws when creating models.





We will be thinking about measure & using non-standard units such as cubes to work out how tall the giant is. We will introduce comparing language e.g. shorter/ shortest/ taller/ tallest/ longer/ longest. Then we will explore measuring with standard units, with support begin to use rulers & tape measures. The children will continue to practise recalling of number facts. We will investigate number patterns and begin to look at patterns when adding and taking away.

**PSED:** This term we will be thinking about growing and how we have changed from when we were babies and how we need to look after ourselves to be healthy. We will also be recapping our learning on how after plants and care for our local environment in school. During our Jigsaw lessons we will be thinking about relationships e.g. how to make friends & thinking ways of solving conflicts to be able to stay friends.

# Understanding of the World

Within our topic we will revisit our learning on what plants need to grow and how Eid is celebrated. We will also be thinking about who is our King and Queen and where do they live, what do they do. We will spend time reflecting on castles and using non fiction books to research about castles. Of course, we will be exploring the world of dinosaurs and other exciting creatures.

### Expressive Arts and Design:

This half term we will be learning how to draw using shapes and lines to support our work. We will also be using our imaginations to make up our own stories and role play scenarios with our friends. We will use small world toys to build settings of imaginary lands and construction toys to make our own castles.





Reception Term 5



**Our Topic** 

**Giants**, Dragons

and **Dinosaurs** 

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How is your sunflower? If you need another seed please let us know we have spares!

Or you could plant a different seed? What does it need to grow? You could draw and write about how it grows and changes...or take photos and email them to school :-)







https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks

https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk

You can use the following link to practise & learn the measuring song;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JjKhSyUVFBI

Don't forget to login to you Target Tracker account to see your child's learning at school!

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### The main stories we will explore in class:

The Smartest Giant in town– Julia Donaldson

Jack & the beanstalk– Mara Alperin

Range of non-fiction books about animals and castles.

# PE Thursday's

Every Thursday will be doing PE – the children can come to school wearing joggers/ leggings/shorts and trainers.

Please ensure children bring a water bottle, all their clothes are labelled with your child's name & that ear rings have been removed. Thank you