



## Rye Community Primary School

"A Gateway to learning"



Dear Parents,

We have had a brilliant term of learning in Cuttlefish, exploring our wonderful topic of Antarctica. Next we will be moving on to our new topic; **Fairtrade and Farming.**

### Term 4 Learning in Cuttlefish

As our topic is focused around Fairtrade and Farming, we will be exploring the ways in which our food is grown, sourced and transported. Alongside this we will be growing our own produce too! We will also have the opportunity to visit a local supermarket to see the Fairtrade products that are available.



#### How you can help your child

Carrying out any research at home based around the idea of Fair Trade, farming and being self-sufficient will greatly benefit your child's understanding of the topic.

For our **termly project** the children can make either of the following:

- 3D tropical forest
- A boat that Jemmy Button would have sailed on



### PE

Premier Sports will take the children for P.E on **Wednesday afternoons** this term. There have been a significant number of children that have **not** had a full PE kit throughout the last three terms, so if you could please ensure that your child has sufficient kit available on this day and that all kit is named.

### Mathematics

This term in Maths we will be beginning our learning by looking at tenths and decimals before moving on to problem solving with multiplication and division. Towards the end of the term we will be exploring 2D and 3D shapes and their different properties. We will end the term with learning how to tell the time.

#### How you can help your child

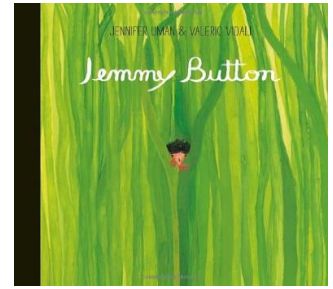
- Look for opportunities to talk about maths in the everyday environment.
- Encourage children to explain the key maths vocabulary they have learnt during that week E.g. pound, pence, change, multiply, divide, share, addition, total, sum, altogether, half, quarter, third, subtract, measure, centimetre, millimetre, denominator, numerator.
- Support with any maths homework.
- Support with learning the multiplication tables that they are working on in class (3, 4 and 8 x table).



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Our class book this term is 'Jemmy Button' written by Jennifer Uman and Valerio Vidali. This links in with our topic of fair trade, as it is set in the Rainforest where Jemmy feasts on cocoa beans and the tropical fruit available. We will use the text to support us in creating our own 'losing stories', as well as writing from Jemmy Button's point of view during guided reading sessions.



### How you can help your child

- Make sure your child reads daily and discuss the stories in terms of reasons for characters actions, and reasons for author's choices of vocabulary. Don't forget to record reading sessions in the 'Greedy Reader' booklets.
- Discuss meanings of any new vocabulary they come across.
- Support with any English homework and spellings that they are working on in class.
- Any research on Fairtrade and Farming.

### Design Technology

For our DT this term we will be asking the children to design and create packaging that could hold seeds. They will need to consider what will be strong enough to hold the produce, and also how to make it look appealing to potential customers!



### Trips

We are hoping to visit the Rare Breeds Centre at the end of the term for the children to consolidate their learning of farming. We will be in touch once it has been confirmed.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Mr Gurr