

Summer 1 Newsletter 2026 Elm Class

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope everyone has had a lovely Easter break and are feeling well rested for the start of the Summer Term!

Reminders:

- The children will need to come to school with a coat – even if it is sunny in the mornings the weather can be very unpredictable!
- Children should bring a water bottle to school each day.
- Reading books to be brought into school on Fridays. Children will receive their new books each Friday. We do allocate Teaching Assistant time on Fridays to change books so it isn't always possible to change forgotten books on other days.
- Copies of spelling letters can be found on our class page on the website. Spelling tests will be every Friday.
- Weekly homework will recommence this half term.
- Please ensure all uniform and P.E kit are labelled clearly.

Important Dates

Monday 20th April – school reopens

Monday 4th May- School closed- May Day

Wednesday 6th May- David Attenborough Day- Wear Green or something with animals on for a £1 donation.

Thursday 7th May- School closed for local elections.

Thursday 14th May- Years 1,2,3 Sports Day 1:45-3pm approx. Children can leave once the event finishes.

Friday 22nd May- School closes for May half-term.

Summer 2 - Curriculum Information

English

Our new class text is *The Tin Forest* by Helen Ward. It is a beautiful and poetic fable written about an old man who lives in a Tin Forest, otherwise known as a rubbish dump of unloved things, nobody wanted anymore. This book will provide many writing opportunities including writing in role, book reviews and creative writing.

Maths

Most of this half term will be spent continuing our learning about time before moving on to fractions. The children will be learning how to:

count on and back in tenths

- recognise and write fractions of numbers and amounts
- show simple equivalent fractions
- add and subtract fractions
- compare and order fractions with the same denominators

We have set the children the following times tables on TTRockstars: 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8. Please encourage your child to access TTRockstars at home - a few times a week for 5 minutes if possible!

R.E.

This half term, children will be looking at "What kind of world did Jesus want?"

History

We will be continuing our learning about The Romans. Children will learn about Roman settlements, who Boudicca was, how Romans protected their land and what life was like during the final years of the Roman Empire.

P.E.

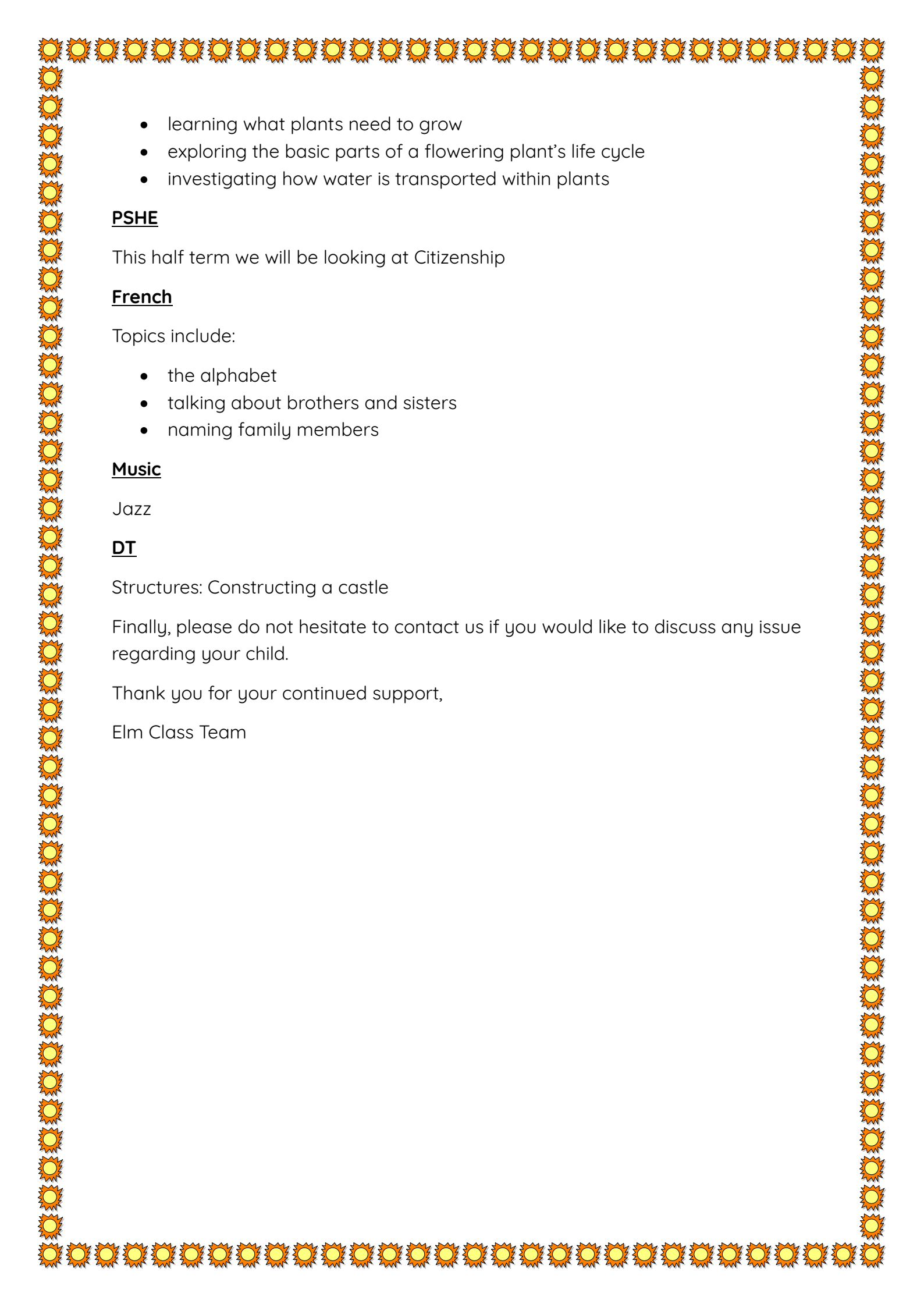
Our PE days are Tuesday and Fridays. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school and long hair is tied back.

Science

Our new science unit is Plants.

The children will be:

- identifying and describing the functions of flowering plant parts (stem/trunk, roots, leaves, flowers)

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- learning what plants need to grow
 - exploring the basic parts of a flowering plant's life cycle
 - investigating how water is transported within plants

PSHE

This half term we will be looking at Citizenship

French

Topics include:

- the alphabet
- talking about brothers and sisters
- naming family members

Music

Jazz

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Structures: Constructing a castle

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to discuss any issue regarding your child.

Thank you for your continued support,

Elm Class Team