#### **Curriculum Overview**

**In the Garden:** This summer term we will be making the most of the warmer weather in the school grounds. Whilst tending and caring for plants we will recap the names of different parts of the plants and begin to understand the conditions that a seed or bulb needs to mature into a healthy, fully grown plant. We will use this knowledge to create our own garden in our new raised beds. We will also be visiting RHS Wisley Gardens where we will consolidate our knowledge of plants and how they grow.

**India:** During our geography learning, Swallows will begin to understand the country and culture of India. We will learn in particular about a small village called Chembakolli which we will compare with our school village of Mytchett.

**Queens:** During this topic, we will be learning about two of Britain' Queens. We will focus on the life and reign of Queen Victoria and compare how life was different in Victorian times. We will then compare her life and reign with Queen Elizabeth II. We will also design and make our own crowns.

#### **Our Reading**

Some of our Reading this term is going to include:

- Dinosaurs and all that rubbish by Michael Foreman
- Jim and the Beanstalk by Raymond Briggs
- The Green Ship by Quentin Blake
- The Queens Hat by Steve Antony
- Grandpa Chatterji by Jamila Gavin
- Information books about 'India'.

Can you find any other books at home or in the library?

#### Important reminders for each week

This term, please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school every day. This will be helpful in allowing us to adapt timings/ days if needed. We will send PE kits home for washing at half term.

- Please ensure that your child's PE kit contains:
- A Mytchett logo PE t-shirt in the correct house colour
- Black shorts
- Black tracksuit top
- Black tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers

Please remember to take out your child's earrings on PE days. The school website shares guidance on the wearing of jewellery.

#### Home Learning

Home learning is focused upon helping the children to practise and secure core skills which will really support their progress and ability to engage fully with the wider curriculum.

Every week, home learning should include:

- **Reading** <u>Daily</u> reading and discussion of the text (up to 15 minutes as a guide).
- Spelling Practise of the Year 1 and Year 2 statutory spellings (tested termly).
- **Maths** Practise of key number facts and early multiplication tables to help them work toward the next step of the 'Mytchett Mental Maths Challenge'.

- All children also have an individual login to Doodle Maths to use at home. They should aim to earn 50 Doodle Stars per week.

• There will also be a weekly activity uploaded to Seesaw which will link to the learning in school that week if you would like extra.

### Important Dates

Friday 21st April – Y2 Trip to Wisley Gardens. Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Mufti Day for the adult tombola. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Bank Holiday Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Y2 reading SATs Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Celebration picnic in honour of the Coronation (children only) Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Mufti Day - red, white and blue in exchange for items for children's tombola (Spring Fair) Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Bank holiday Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May – FFMPS May Fair Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Y2 Maths SATs Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – SMILE Afternoon Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Half Term Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Class Photos Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Sports Day Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Super SMILE Afternoon Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Reserve Sports Day Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Report Portal Opens Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – School Finishes at 1.30pm

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Swallows – Year 2

# In the Garden, India and Queens

A brief bulletin of key information needed for this term.

Swallows staff

Subject teachers:

Mrs Everingham (PE)

Madame Emsden (French)

Davison

Class teacher: Mrs Gladwish

Support Staff: Mrs Pain and Mrs