



8th February 2021

Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers,

Thank you all for your support with Science so far this lockdown. The children, with your support, have produced some super science work and I hope they, and you, have enjoyed the home investigations and not found them too demanding.

For Science this week, I am asking the children to return to our ongoing topic of 'Our Changing World' which encourages the key skills of observation and recording observations over time. We have been looking at the changes in a variety of plants within the school grounds through the seasons, so I am asking for them to go out into your local area or garden to observe and record 'Signs of Spring'.

As I know many of you have busy work schedules and school timetables – I am not asking for this to be done on a specific day, but for the children to hand in their observations by the end of half term week (Friday 19th February). This will hopefully mean that you could find some time (and reasonable weather!) over the next two weeks to go out on a walk together to make some observations. The children can sketch, photograph, make notes or include a combination of these. I am hoping to print their observations off at school to construct a display in each classroom for when we return to school, so we can see if there are any overall patterns in our individual observations.

Thank you for your continued support with your children's learning across all subjects. I hope this Science task will give you an opportunity to spend a short time away from screens, discovering some of the wonder of nature that are under our noses!

Looking forward to our return to school. Have a restful half term break – we all deserve it.

Louise Goodwin