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Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary Reception pupils,

This term, Classes RHR and RTG will begin their new topic '**Changes**'. During this topic, your child will learn all about life cycles and notice changes in our environment, from caterpillars and butterflies, to tadpoles and frogs! The topic will challenge the children to grow their own plants and understand what a plant needs to grow. They will explore and investigate our outdoor environment, while becoming caring citizens to all things nature!



Your child will take part in guided, small group Themed Learning which is outlined below:

- ★ **Geography:** children to make observations of the pond and will draw and label what they see.
- ★ **Science/Computing:** Using information from non-fiction texts, film clips and iPads, children will observe caterpillars and butterflies. They will discuss ways that their habitats can be protected.
- ★ **Design Technology:** children to create their own life cycle by using recycling/junk and will make their own minibeast habitats.
- ★ **Art:** children to explore different artistic effects when painting wings on a butterfly, such as printing, scraping and dribbling.
- ★ **RE:** children to discuss the meaning behind Easter and use various natural objects to create different Easter egg patterns.

This term, **PE** will be on a Tuesday and children can wear their PE kit to school.

Please support your child as much as you can at home by helping them to talk about and share their learning with you. If you ever have any comments or questions about your child's learning, please speak to their class teacher or email yearreception@marineacademy.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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Reception Teacher Reception Teacher





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