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Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

Over the next few weeks those of us in Nursery A-E will be learning about “Plants and Flowers”. This unit is part of the early years programme of the International Primary Curriculum. This new curriculum has been specially written for young children and sets out clearly what children should learn in four groups or “strands” — these are called “Independence and Interdependence”, “Communicating”, “Exploring”, and “Healthy Living”. The activities which have been planned will cover these strands in the following ways:

Independence and Interdependence

The children will have the opportunity to play in the class flower shop. They will learn about simple responsibilities when they look after their own seeds and plants.

Communicating

We will share the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk* and learn about the practical use of language when we are acting as shopkeepers. We will learn about numbers when we count and order seeds. We will also learn to sort flowers, stems and leaves.

Exploring

A major focus of this theme is learning about the natural environment and the children will have the opportunity through practical experience to learn how to take care of it.

Healthy Living

During the course of this theme the children will be given the opportunity to make choices and to develop the skill of concentration.

We will begin this theme on **14th February’2012**. Please send a flower tagged with the name of the flower with your ward on **22nd February ’2012**. We will find out as much as we can about flowers and plants, before we begin some art and craft activities.

As always, I welcome any support or suggestions which you may have.

Yours faithfully,

(abha dharam pal, smt.)

Principal

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