



# Grow An Avocado!

Parent Handout  
2019-2020



## The Challenge!

Mr Garwood Watkins is the chair of governors for our school. He leads the group of people that help make sure that St. James & St. John is the best it can be.

Last month, he mentioned in a meeting that he was worried that we couldn't grow avocado plants from avocado seeds anymore.

He, therefore, set us a challenge. He would like everyone at St. James & St. John to try and prove him wrong!

He wants us all to try and grow an avocado plant from an avocado pit.

## When?

This week, every student and staff member will get an avocado.

## What?

Each child is to remove – with the help of an adult – the pit from their avocado and think of a way that they might make it grow into a seedling.

## How?

Each child can think of their own way to grow their avocado pit into a seedling, however, the most common way is to have the pit hanging over water in a jar.

## Proof?

Each child will need to take photos, videos or create drawings of everything that they do to help their avocado pit grow. This is going to need to be presented with their seedling on the due date.

## Due?

Their avocado seedling will be due back at school on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2020. They will need to bring their plant and all the evidence they have gathered over the 7 months they have been growing their plant.

## Prizes?

There will be prizes for the best seedling in each class and staff group, and extra prizes for the best 3 seedlings overall.

What makes the best seedling? The largest and healthiest plant.



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### Our Curriculum



2020  
JUNE

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28	29	30				



### Home Learning Tasks:

Learning at home helps consolidate learning at school.

We look forward to seeing all the fantastic techniques the children choose to use to help grow their avocado seedling.

## Supporting the curriculum at home

This is a great way to see science, maths, geography, design technology, reading and even writing at home.

To further your child's understanding, you might like to do some research about avocados, look at where they come from around the world, practise making some recipes or even look at the different types. There are also plenty of interesting art and craft activities using avocado as a dye, so you might like to even get a bit creative.

The most important thing of all, though, is to have fun with the learning. We look forward to seeing the results.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to see Mr Peters.

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