

# What is happening in Reception this week?

28th March 2022

### Literacy



This week will learn all about Easter and how and where it is celebrated around the world, particularly as part of the Christian religion.

We will continue to enjoy reading 'Jack and the Beanstalk', creating a story map to help us retell the story. We will write simple sentences linked to it as part of our weekly writing.

In Phonics we will practice our oral blending and continue revising the sounds we have already learned. We are learning to blend and spell words using our sounds and our Fred Fingers.

We will also be learning new vocabulary from our story 'Handa's Hen'.

#### Maths

During Maths this week we will learn about the number 20. We will be working on one more and one less from a given number using counters and ten frames.

We will continue counting numbers up to 20 forwards and backwards increasing the speed using a number line and our fingers to help us. We will also order the numbers 1-10 and above and start counting in 2's.

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#### **Topic**

This week, we will go for our Spring walk and try to spot all the differences in the weather and the natural environment. We will link to the story of Mr Wolf and compare what clothes he was wearing on each day of the week.



We will also enjoy making Easter cards, chocolate nests out of Shredded Wheat and will be exploring various Easter activities both indoors and outdoors.





# Messages

We hope you all enjoyed the lovely sunny weather last week!

As we reach the end of term we would like to thank you for your support. It has been a very busy term with lots of fun and new learning for the children.

It would be great if you could please keep reading with your child over the Easter break. Reading for just 10 minutes daily will help your child maintain and develop their reading skills. We have seen an improvement over the past few weeks and we would like to thank you for your support in reading with your child at home.

We wish you all a happy and healthy Easter break.

# How can you help at home?

The children are now grouped for their phonics and a few still have gaps in their sounds that need to be learned as quickly as possible. Please help your child at home. Many children are now learning 'special friends' and blending sounds into words. Some are now bringing home books to read. Please continue to practise sounds so the children recognise them quickly. Could you please also listen to them reading the words and books that they bring home? You can use the video links we email out to help you. Please remember to record this in their diary. Also, please practise forming the sounds and provide plenty of opportunities for your child to develop their pencil control with colouring books, white boards, drawing, painting with a brush, etc. On Friday every week, the children will be able to select a book from class to bring home for you to read with them. They should return the book by the following Friday so they can select a new one to take home. Please talk to your child about anything and everything to develop their oral skills and extend their vocabulary. This week's focused vocabulary will be: spring, weather, change, grow, buds, lambs, daffodil, Easter, Jesus, Christian, cross, vicar, seed/s, one more/one less, spotted, hurried, gathered

If you have any comments, concerns or questions, please come and speak to Mrs Kalampaliki or Ms York. Have a lovely week.