

What is happening in Reception this week?

20th April 2022



Literacy

This week we will talk about Spring and revise everything we have been learning about the natural environment and will talk about all the changes we have spotted during our Easter Holidays. As the weather is so much nicer, we will go for our Spring walk and see if we can spot any blossom.

During phonics we will practice our oral blending and revise the sounds we have already learned as it is really important we can read our sounds quickly. We are learning to blend and spell words using our sounds and our Fred Fingers.



Maths

During Maths this week we will revise the numbers 1-20. We will continue working on one more and one less from a given number using counters and ten frames, exploring different amounts and making one more/one less. We will count numbers up to 20 forwards and backwards increasing the speed using a number line and our fingers to help us. We will also continue counting in 2's.



Topic

This week, we will talk all about our Easter Holidays and what we did with our families using the past tense and full sentences. During our Spring walk we will spot all the differences in the weather and the natural environment and we will compare it with our winter walk.

We will read fiction and non fiction stories about the life cycle of a plant and we are aiming to plant our own vegetables in our garden and see how they will grow over the summer term.

We are also planning to order a kit with caterpillars eggs so we can see the life cycle of a butterfly within our classroom.



Messages



We hope you had a lovely break and you are ready for another term full of exciting and amazing learning.

As we are in summer term we will be spending more time outdoors so we ask that you send your child in with a summer hat in their school bag to use on sunny days. Please do apply sun cream at home before school when the weather is sunny and make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

Also, can you please remember to order school dinners for your child online if needed. You can discuss the options with them and choose meals they prefer to eat. We have noticed that some children do not eat all their lunch and they may feel hungry during the afternoon.

This week is a short week and we are aiming to reset and reintroduce all the daily routines so that we are ready to continue our GREAT behaviour for learning.

Please also note that our PE day will be Friday afternoon, please make sure your child has their PE kit in school.

How can you help at home?

The children are now grouped for their phonics and a few of them 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 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. Each week, on a Friday, 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 vocabulary.



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