

# Reception Newsletter

**Summer Term 1 2021**

Well, it has certainly been a different Spring term, with lots of remote learning, zoom calls and it has been a strange time for all the children but we have been amazed at how well the children have returned to school and just got back into the swing of learning and school routines.

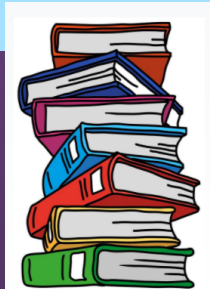
## Science Week

The children enjoyed science and learning about how rain falls through clouds plus what happens when you mix baking soda with vinegar. They enjoyed a range of different investigations. The children have also been busy planting peas, beans, sunflowers and cress. They have been learning about what plants need to grow.



## World Book Day

The children enjoyed sharing plenty of different books. They took part in activities based upon different stories. We observed some great communication, reading and sharing.



## Eco Day

The children learnt about where different foods come from and how we have to work together to keep the planet a happy place. The children discussed how tomorrow could be a very different day if we don't act today.

# What we have planned for the children...

Below is a very brief overview of what we will be learning this term. In our topic we continue to learn about Animals, Plants and Places. We have asked the children what they would like to learn about and we have incorporated their ideas into our planning. We will be continuing to revisit some Phase 3 sounds this term and ensuring that the children are confident to use them in their writing.

Week	Topic focus	Literacy	Maths	other
<b>1</b> <b>19/4</b>	Caterpillar, butterfly	Information	Time	
<b>2</b> <b>26/4</b>	Snails and slugs	Creative write	doubling	
<b>3</b> <b>3/5</b>	Bees	Labelling	Halving	
<b>4</b> <b>10/5</b>	Worms	Rhymes	Money	
<b>5</b> <b>17/5</b>	Dragonflies, fireflies	poems	Number bonds	
<b>24/5</b>	Ugly bug ball	Descriptive writing	Capacity	Tuesday 25th May 2021— Dress up as an ugly or in- sect

## Home learning

Thank you and well done to all the parents who have supported their child with the home learning. During the Easter holidays it would be great if the children can continue to read, learn the phase three sounds and keywords sent recently and write sentences. We will send journals home too as the children really enjoy sharing these. Please remember that your child can write in the journals what they have been doing, this will provide further writing opportunities.

We will also send a few extra reading books as it is really important that they continue to read for a few minutes everyday.

As we move into our last full term we will start preparing the children for year one and supporting them so that they reach the expected levels in Reception before they move on, we will send the expected level descriptors to home so that you too can help support your child achieve these.

The expected levels for the children are available on the website under Year groups—reception—prime and specific Area ELG

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