

# Summer 1 Reception Class Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you had a very happy and relaxing Easter break. This term our main focus will be 'In the Garden' featuring mini-beasts and plants. The Medium Term plan is displayed outside the classroom which gives more information. Our role play area will be a Mini-beast investigation lab.

## Maths

Please keep counting and spotting numbers in the environment.

We have now covered in depth all the numbers to 10 including finding different ways of combining two or more groups to make different totals. These are known as 'number bonds'. It is important for children to become confident being able to mentally recall number facts to **5** and then **10**, including addition and subtraction.

eg  $0+5=5$ ,  $1+4=5$ ,  $2+3=5$ ,  $3+2=5$ ,  $4+1=5$ ,  $5+0=5$ ;

$5-0=5$ ,  $5-1=4$ ,  $5-2=3$ ,  $5-3=2$ ,  $5-4=1$ ,  $5-5=0$

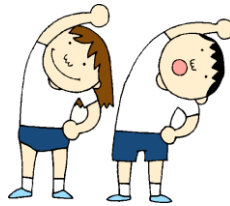
This term we will begin looking at the teen numbers, we use tens frames to support this.

We will also learn about 3D shapes and patterns. Again, keep looking out for 3D shapes and patterns if you are out and about to support your child.

## PE

PE will continue to be on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure that long hair is tied back and, if possible, earrings removed.

If the weather is fine, our lessons will be outside.



## Show and Tell

16.4.21 Sara, Henry, Evan, Rose, Belle

23.4.21 Alba, Charlotte, Zenifa, Peter, Leon

30.4.21 Asha, Quinn, Eewa, Tom, Louis, Matilda

7.5.21 Jordan, Emma, Ruby, Freya, Harry

14.5.21 Georgia, Bella, Lottie, Daphne, Sam, Ollie

21.5.21 Sara, Henry, Evan, Rose, Belle

28.5.21 Alba, Charlotte, Zenifa, Peter, Leon

*There will be one more rotation of the groups beginning with the Leopards after half term.*

Try to encourage children to bring things to share other than toys. It is lovely to have a variety of items that promote questioning. Last term's highlights included tadpoles, a home-made map book, family photographs, lego models and recipe books.

## Phonics

We are progressing well through the Phase 3 phonemes and have now learnt up to 'oo'.

We learn a new sound every week; this week we will learn 'ar'.

We are also learning how to read and write Phase 2 and 3 tricky words. We will ensure that the flashcard packs are up to date on Thursdays after school. Please continue to practise as often as possible both using the cards as flashcards to play games with and to build words / captions / sentences.

Phase 3: j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu

Phase 3 consonant digraphs: ch, sh, th, ng

Phase 3 vowel digraphs: ai, ee, igh, oa, oo (this can be both long as in 'moon' and short as in 'book'; we have learnt both), ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, ure, er

Tricky words **Phase 2**: I, no, go, to, into ; **Phase 3**: he, she, we, me, be, are, her, my, was, you, all, they