

Reception Newsletter 26.03.21

Well done on your return to school Reception and for completing Spring term. We have had a great few weeks settling back in and having lots of fun with our friends.

In Literacy this week we have continued to explore the story of the Gingerbread Pal and we have changed the characters to make our own versions. Next week we will be creating our own story maps to retell our exciting stories. We have also read the story of 'This is Not My Hat' by Jon Klassen and talked about behaviours and consequences. In particular, we have looked at whether it is okay to take things even if you really want them and the feelings of the people involved in stealing.

In Maths we have learnt the names of 3D shapes and used investigations to look at their properties.

Reading

We will now be introducing the **Read Write inc** reading scheme in Reception. Your child will receive the new books to take home however the new level of books may not correspond to the previous reading scheme we used. We will be sending **2 books** for the Easter holidays so please ensure your child brings back the books they may have at home.

Next week we will be sending home **reading cards** so that we can monitor how many times the children read at home. They need to be signed by an adult each time a child reads at home.

We will now also change books on **Monday** and **Friday** so please ensure that your child has a book bag to carry their reading book and reading card on those days.

Forest School

We have now raised enough money to restart Forest School in Summer 2. Thank you all for the donations we have received. The children are really excited to put their wellies back on and take part in all of the amazing activities that Forest School provide for us and we look forward to sharing all of our adventures with you.

Axel Scheffler

We have been extremely lucky this week in Reception to meet illustrator Axel Scheffler over Zoom. The illustrator, famous for drawing The Gruffalo, zoomed in to talk about the stories he has written and illustrated. We also had so much fun participating in a draw along with Axel and we created some really amazing pictures. Many thanks to Chris Jackson for arranging the visit.



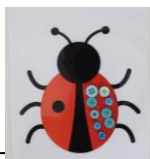
Maths

Next week we will be exploring number stories involving number bonds. Number bonds are different ways to make a particular number, e.g. $8+2=10$, $7+3=10$, $6+4=10$ etc.

Ideas for the Easter holidays:

Can you make a number bond ladybird?

Can you make a number bond rainbow?



Phonics

Next week in Phonics we will be revising the tricky words:

with	that	this	he
she	we	me	be
was	my	you	look they
her	all	are	

The children will use these tricky words to read and write sentences.

Ideas for Easter Holidays:

- Tricky word hopscotch
- Tricky word bowling
- Tricky word bingo

Ideas for things to do at home during the Easter holidays:

- Read lots of stories including The Easter Story, Egg to Hen- the lifecycle of a chicken, other lifecycle books and farm books.
- Hide an Easter Egg/ some treasure and encourage your child to make a map to share with their family to show where they found it. Encourage your child to draw pictures with labels on the map and then can they write a set of instructions on how to find it.
- Can you make binoculars and go on a bird hunt? Can you draw pictures of the birds you find and find out their names?
- Can you research a baby animal that may be born in the spring?



If your child completes any of the activities, please upload them to google classroom.