



Reception

Summer 1

April 2024

Reception News

We hope that you have had a lovely and restful Easter break. We cannot believe that we are now in the Summer term! We are very proud of the way the children settled back into school life this week and showing us that they are ready for the challenges of the new term.

The children really loved learning about the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' last half term. They found out what plants need to grow and planted and looked after their own flower. We hope that these have continued to grow at home.

The children are now confidently using the vocabulary of character, setting, problem and solution and they are starting to be able to create their own stories.

Learning about 'The Enormous Turnip' also led us to think about how we collaborate with each other and how we can help each other as learners. As well as showing kindness and being helpful, we have thought about how important it is to listen carefully to the ideas of others when we are collaborating and also how we need to share our own ideas. Another learning behaviour we have been exploring is resilience and Reception have been building their own resilience by choosing to persevere rather than quit.

In Maths we have continued to embed our understanding and knowledge of numbers to 10. We have explored how numbers can be made up of smaller numbers and have begun to learn and remember some of these number facts, including our number bonds to 10. We have also practised recording our findings in addition calculations.

The children have been extremely thoughtful during their circle times, thinking about how to be a good friend, as well as expressing why our Mums are special to us and being thankful for all they do. (Of course, Dads are special too!)

As always, if you have any concerns, please do speak to me at any time.

Many thanks,

Mrs Bruce, Mrs Robinson & Mrs Redondo

Dates:

Monday 15th April

Start of Summer Term

22nd April

Class Photographs

Earth Day

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday

Friday 17th May

Pause Day

w/b Monday 20th May

Art Week

Friday 25th May

Last day of term, usual timings

Monday 5th June

Reading at home

Books will be changed throughout the week but please do keep them in the book bag as it gives the adults flexibility to read with everyone.

We expect parents to hear their children read **at least 3 times a week**. This will enable children to become confident with the book they have for the week.

Please record in your child's reading record when you have heard them read at home.

Things to Remember:

- Thursday is Library day. Please continue to read with your children, asking comprehension questions and enjoying the book together.
- Please continue to write, practise maths and talk lots about what your child has been learning at school every day. We aim to send regular Tapestry messages to help begin these conversations.
- Please ensure **all** clothing has your child's name, including PE kits, shoes and socks. Please also check you have the correct items as sometimes clothing can get swapped.
- As it becomes sunnier and the weather is getting hotter, please bring a sun hat **daily**. Please ensure your child has had sunscreen applied before school and name any sunscreen brought in.

Week	Literacy	Maths	Topic	RE	PE	Music	Work Piece	Candle Time
Week 1 15.04 - 19.04	Tales Toolkit Story intro Twist and Hop Minibeast Bop	To 20 and beyond	St George's Day Minibeast and their habitats	Story Time: The Lost Sheep	Climbing equipment	Sing Up - Down there under the sea Lesson 1	St George's Day	Imaginer pg 162 Joy
Week 2 22.04 - 26.04	Targeted Sentence Writing. Information books.	To 20 and beyond	Spiders	Story Time: Best Friends	Climbing equipment	Sing Up - Down there under the sea Lesson 2	Spider with concertina legs.	Imaginer pg 166 Friendship
Week 3 29.04 - 03.05	Tales Toolkit	Manipulate, compose and decompose shapes	Bees PSHE - Charities	Story Time: The Crocodile and The Priest (A Sikh story)	Climbing equipment	Sing Up - Down there under the sea Lesson 3	Baking for charity sale - sponsoring a beehive. Collaborative art - Beehive	Imaginer pg 178 Service
Week 4 06.05 - 10.05 4 days - BH	Targeted Sentence Writing. Information books.	Manipulate, compose and decompose shapes	Caterpillars & Butterflies	Story Time: The Gold- Giving Serpent	Climbing equipment	Sing up - It's oh so quiet Lesson 1	Edible collage life cycle	Imaginer pg 174 Compassion (kindness)
Week 5 13.05 - 17.05	Targeted Sentence Writing. Information books.	Mass and capacity	Slug, snails and worms Pause Day	Story Time: The Boy Who Cried Wolf	Climbing equipment	Sing up - It's oh so quiet Lesson 2	Spiral art	Imaginer pg 170 Trust
Week 6 20.05 - 24.05	Tales Toolkit	Sharing and grouping	Art Week	Story Time: Bilal and the Beautiful Butterfly	Climbing equipment	Sing up - It's oh so quiet Lesson 3	TBC	Imaginer pg 182 Thankfulness