



EYFS Newsletter

Reception News

*"I have learned you are never too small to make a difference."
- Greta Thunberg*



This week, we have enjoyed being outside and we have explored the world of minibeasts with Mr Lawson. We all went for a walk around the pond and it was fun listening to him tell us all about minibeasts! We have been reading the story 'Arghhh Spider!' by Lydia Monks and we have spoken about the things that frighten us. We wrote down our worries and placed them into a worry box, supporting our friends with their fears. We also talked about why we should try to be brave around minibeasts and discussed this as a class. In maths, we looked at halving and explored how many flies would be left on a spider's web if it decided to eat half of them. In EAD, we made our own 3D spiders using pipe cleaners, straws and silver foil to use in our imaginative play.



Minibeast hunt with Mr Lawson



Mr Shute's assembly on Air Pollution



Threading beads onto a spider's leg



Notices and Reminders:

Please ensure your child has a St. Aubyn's cap and a Pac a Mac at school, with their name inside it, so it can be kept in the classroom and worn during playtimes and outdoor activities.

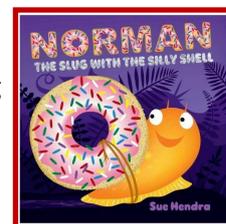
Please remember to write in your child's reading record and comment on how they have been reading - could they decode or did they need support?

Remember to dress up as a minibeast on Friday, 21 May for our Mucky Minibeast Ball!

Many thanks,
Reception Team

Next week in Reception:

Next week we will be looking at slugs and snails and reading the story of 'Norman the Slug with the Silly Shell'. In Literacy, we will be designing and describing a new silly shell for Norman. In maths, we will be looking at number patterns on a number line and a 100 square. We hope you are all in the process of making your costumes ready for our Mucky Minibeast Ball on Friday, 21 May!



Nursery News

Growing and Changing

This week, we read the traditional tale *Jack and the Beanstalk* and the children enjoyed role-playing this story using props. They were then keen to plant their own beans in the hope of it growing into a magical and enormous beanstalk! We have learned all about the life cycle of a bean and have discussed what plants need to grow. We are very excited to see the first shoots appear in the coming days.



Height

This week, we have also been learning about height. The children have learned to use vocabulary relating to height through various activities, including making tall towers with construction resources, ordering and measuring beanstalks, and comparing height while playing a game on the interactive whiteboard.



Waiting for the chicks to hatch!

The Nursery children have been delighted to receive chicken eggs in an incubator. They are fascinated by the eggs and have been watching them closely. They are eagerly waiting for the arrival of the chicks once they hatch!



Overview of next week's learning:

Phonics: Vv for vegetable

Maths: mass/weight

Topic: Errol's Garden, plants, growth and change over time.

Notices and reminders:

As the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child has a full bottle of water and a sunhat. Please also ensure that your child has applied sun lotion before coming into school. Thank you!

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