



# EYFS Newsletter

## Reception News

*"Kind words are short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."* Mother Teresa



This week, we have been reading *Yucky Worms* by Vivian French and Jessica Ahlberg. We shared our womey homework on Tapestry and talked about why we should be kind to worms and how they add to our ecosystem. The children had fun designing their own mud kitchens and sharing their ideas with Mr Lawson. In maths, we reviewed addition and subtraction and making number bonds to 10 with a variety of resources including, Numicon shapes, counters and Unifix cubes. We introduced the children to PurpleMash and gave them an opportunity to explore various age-appropriate activities in preparation for their holiday homework. Once again, we would like to thank everyone for the effort they put into making the minibeast costumes. We were so impressed, especially where it was clear the children really put some of their own effort in! As you can see from the pictures on Tapestry, they all looked amazing and we had a great time.



Searching for more facts about our favourite minibeasts

Working on our number bonds to 10 with a variety of resources!



Designing our mud kitchens



Making colourful worms with sparkly pipe cleaners and beads

### Notices and Reminders:

We return to school on Monday, 7 June 2021 at 9 am. Please make sure your child arrives at school punctually as lateness is recorded.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are named clearly.

Please remember to leave the playground immediately after picking up your child to allow the following year groups to enter the playground at their allotted times. This also helps to avoid accidents. For reasons of safety, no scooters are allowed on the playground.

Wishing you a relaxing half term.

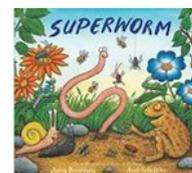
Reception Team



When we return from half term, our topic is "Moving On Up." The first book we will be reading is *Superworm* which we will use as a springboard to discuss what makes us unique and special!

In maths, we will be introducing the children to time and practising reading the time to the hour and half hour using an analogue clock.

We will also be learning the words and actions to the Superworm song, making our own clocks and continuing to practise logging on to PurpleMash independently.



# Nursery News

## Plants and Flowers

This week, the Nursery children have been learning more about plants and flowers. In class, we have been caring for our bean plants and cress by watering them everyday and by making sure they get plenty of sunshine. The children have been enthralled to see that some plants have begun to develop shoots while others have already begun to grow. They have enjoyed comparing their bean plants and measuring its growth in different ways. We have also been reading a range of non-fiction books and we have talked about some of our favourite flowers. The children then walked around the school grounds on a hunt for spring plants and flowers. They identified some common plants and many were able to name some of the parts of a plant.



Watering our plants and observing their growth.



Sensory play with water and flowers.



Hunting for plants and flowers and visiting our school compost heap!



Cress Experiment

We have been observing how cress grows with water and sunshine, with only water and with only sunshine. The children have noticed that the cress grew best with both sunshine and water!



### Overview of week 7's learning:

Phonics: Xx - 'X' marks the spot!

Maths: Solving number problems and using directional language.

Topic: Amazing Adventure– Pirates

**Notices and reminders:** Nursery will not be borrowing books from the Library this week as it is the last week before the half term. We hope you have a lovely and restful break.

