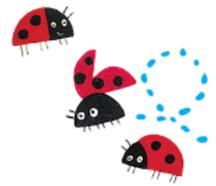


EYFS News

Friday 16th April 2021



What have we been up to this week?

This half term our topic is 'On the Farm'. We have been exploring our first focus story of this topic, '**What the Ladybird Heard**' by **Julia Donaldson**. If you have this story at home, please share it together. If not, there are various copies of it being read aloud on YouTube. We have enjoyed exploring the different sounds that the animals make to trick Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len!

This half term, in our PE sessions we will be focusing on key skills such as throwing and catching a ball. If you have any resources to practise this at home, please do so 😊



PE Kits

From next week, the children will be getting changed into their PE kits for our PE sessions. Please ensure that your child brings a full PE kit to school which is to be left on their peg until the end of the half term. Please make sure that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name to avoid mix-ups or losses. The children will be encouraged to get changed independently and look after their own belongings.

PHONICS

NURSERY

Our younger Nursery children have begun 'BLAST' this week and have really impressed us with their superb listening skills! BLAST is 'Boosting Language Auditory Skills and Talking' and works on the underpinning skills for language, communication and literacy – turn taking, discrimination, listening, attention and social communication as well as developing basic language skills. This programme lasts for six weeks and is delivered in order to prepare the children to begin Phase One of the Letters and Sounds programme.

This half term, our older Nursery children will be focusing on rhyming words, initial sounds and oral segmenting and blending.

RECEPTION

We have been revising Phase 3 and have focused on the sounds 'sh' and 'ch'. We have also revisited the tricky words 'the' and 'no'. Please practise recognising and writing these at home.

MATHS

NURSERY

This week we have been learning about number 6. We have been recognising it in the environment and practising counting to 6 using our fingers and objects.



RECEPTION

This week we have been practising counting to 20. We have also been practising recognising, ordering and writing numbers to 20. Please continue to practise these skills at home.

Farm Animals

As our topic this half term is 'On the Farm', you can complete an optional home learning project over the half term if you would like to. Here are two tasks for you to complete as part of the project:

1. **Fact file:** Select your favourite farm animal and find out some facts about it. Create a fact file. This could include drawings of your animal or even some written facts.
2. **Create a farm animal:** Again, select a farm animal and have a go at making it. You could paint it, use playdough or junk modelling. Be as creative as you like!



Please upload anything you complete to Tapestry. You do not need to bring anything in to school.

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