

Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

15.03.2024.

The Reception class have had an exciting week! We began our week visiting the library and I am super proud of the children's behaviour and manners during our visit. Well done Reception!

Maths

This week we have been learning how to **count on** to support our skill of addition. On Monday, Miss Smith used a puppet to count: Puppet says 1, children say 2, Puppet says 3, children say 4 and so on. We carried this on to 10. Then we changed the pattern. Puppet says 1, 2, children say 3, 4, Puppet says 5, 6, children say 7, 8.

After this, we counted on from 5. We knew that we had 5 fingers on one hand, so we made a fist and put 5 in our heads. Now, with 1 hand closed, we practiced adding on 1, 2, 3 or 4 using the fingers on the other hand. We continued our learning throughout the week using tens frames and counters to help us count on.

Home learning: Practice counting on at home.

"Put 5 in your head, what is 2 more than 5?"

"How many would we need to add to 5 to make 9?"

Phonics

We have continued with our phase 3 phonics. This week we have learnt three new phonemes (sounds) "ar" "or" & "ur".

Our new phonemes this week are all **digraph's: two letters that make one sound.**

The children have been recognising and recalling the phase 2 and phase 3 sounds, blending the sounds to read words and we have continued to hold sentences in our heads to independently write.

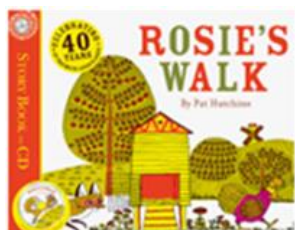
Home learning:

Please read DAILY with your child.

This is essential for children to become fluent with their reading and to revise new sounds.

Please sign their Reading Record.

Our core text this week was:



This week we have been ordering simple experiences in relation to themselves, and others including stories, events, and experiences. We have started thinking about maps and drawing a map of Rosie's walk around the farm.

Next week our core text is:

Police Officers.



We will be thinking about
People Who Help Us.

Key dates and events:

- **Wednesday 20th March**- Parents evening.
- **Thursday 28th March** – Easter Service at Church (am).

School Trip Payment

- **Friday 1st March**- School Trip payment (First instalment or full payment).
- **Thursday 28th March** – School trip payment (final instalment).

Important Notes:

- Please read **DAILY** with your child.
This is essential for children to become fluent with their reading and to revise new sounds.
Please sign their Reading Record.
- **Snack:** If you do choose to send your child with a snack, please ensure that it is healthy - fruit.
If you are sending your child with grapes they **MUST** be cut in half, vertically.
- Please help us to promote your child's independence.
Encourage them to cut their own food and get dressed independently.
- Please label **ALL** your child's clothes!
- **PE** is **Monday morning** and **Friday morning**. Please make sure they have a PE kit in school.
- **Forest School** will be on **Wednesday** morning.

Awards:

Reader of the week: Erica

Our value – Friendship: Emmy

Have a lovely weekend !

Miss Smith, Miss Haworth and Mrs Malik.