

Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

17th April 2026.

Hello, please see what Reception class have been learning this week.

Maths

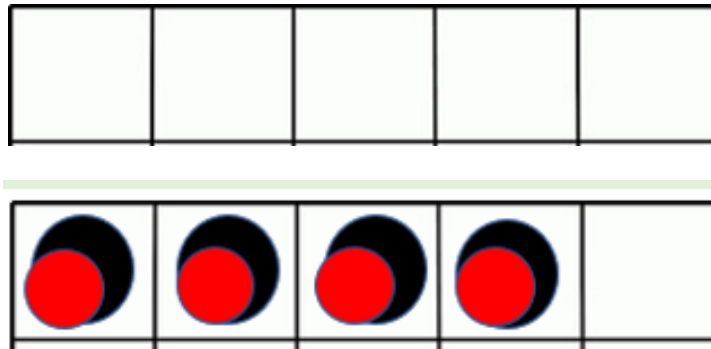
In maths this week the children have been consolidating their knowledge of automatically recalling number bonds to 5.

They have been representing number using five frames.

The five frames support children to visually recognise number.

We have been matching different variations of number.

"There are 4 full, 1 empty and 5 altogether. 4 and 1 makes 5".



Home Learning:

Watch Numberblocks episode: The Number blocks express.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b0blss0t/numberblocks-series-3-the-numberblocks-express?seriesId=b08bzfhn-structural-3-b0bls7vy>



Access Numbots.

Phonics

This week we have revisited our phase 2 phonemes (sounds) and continued to learn our phase 3 phonemes: ow and oi.

The phonemes 'ow' and 'oi' are digraph's (two letters that make one sound).



Home learning:

Reading at home-

- Read at home with your child, sign their reading records and your child will receive Dojo points!!!
- Talk about the features of the book: front cover, title, blurb, we read from left to right and noticing the page numbers.
- Spend time looking at the illustrations, commenting/discussing what you can see, what you think will happen next.
- Encourage children recognising, saying the sounds and then blending the sounds together to read the word.
- Discuss the comprehension questions together (which are in the back of the book). This supports children's understanding.

Bug Club phonics-online learning-

Your child will have a yellow reading record in their bag.

Inside the front cover you will find a username and password to access Bug Club phonics.

Here the children have access to our Bug Club lessons, videos and games they can play at home.

Our core text this week:

What can you see in Spring?



We began our new theme "Exploring England" thinking about the seasonal change of winter to spring.

The children have been learning about spring and looking for key signs of spring, whilst discussing the changes we have noticed between the different seasons.

The children have been writing about the signs of spring.

Summer 1:

Our core text next week:



Awards:

Mathematician of the week:

Cailum

Our value of the week:

Elijah

Well done!



Important Notes:

- Please label **ALL** your child's belongings! (clothes, coats, bags, shoes, etc).
- **PE** is every **Monday** (Burnley Community Trust). Please bring a PE kit: White top, shorts, pumps.
- Forest school is Wednesday afternoon.
- **Children have access to outdoor learning every day.** (We provide waterproofs and wellies. If your child would prefer to keep a set of their own waterproofs and wellies in school, they can do).
 - Even though the children do wear waterproofs and wellies, splashing in puddles is lots of fun, a **spare set of socks** in their bag would be useful.
- Please can children have **water** in their water bottles.
- All children are **provided with fruit** for their **healthy snack**.

Thankyou,

Miss Smith and the Reception team.