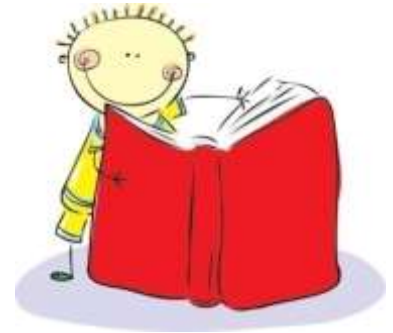


Reception Newsletter

Friday 4th April 2025

In phonics this week, the children have been revising digraphs and trigraphs previously learnt. We have focused on suffixes again and how the suffix 's' and 'es' at the end of words can create plurals and the present tense of a verb. The children have also been using their phonic knowledge to write words containing the following digraphs: ai, ee, oa and oo (as in zoom).



In maths this week the children have continued to focus on the phase 'Building 9 and 10' and we have focused on number recalling number bonds to 10 off by heart. We have also focused on 3D shapes this week – describing their properties and what they can do (slide, stack and roll). The children have also looked at creating different repeating patterns; they loved using the paint to create the patterns!



The children had a fantastic Woodland Learning session where they had great fun going on an Easter egg hunt after discovering a letter from the Easter Bunny thanking the children for their help investigating the best materials to make a raft out of so his Easter eggs would not sink in the river or get wet. He left us lots of eggs to find! The Easter Bunny also left the children a book as a gift which we read in the woodland, 'We're Going on an Egg Hunt' and we focused on the use of rhyming words. I have added some photos of Woodland Learning below for you.

In RE this week we have continued to study The Easter Story, but in a little bit more detail. We have discussed Holy Week and how that begins on Palm Sunday. The children enjoyed acting out Jesus riding into Jerusalem and the last supper.

Thank you for all the brilliant Easter Gardens that you made with the children. They looked amazing on display in class, in the hallway and in the hall for Reverend Kelly's Act of Worship. I could see the children really understood the

story as they could talk about all the different items in their gardens and how they related to the Easter Story.

Lola had some sunflower seedlings at home and had enough for everyone in class to have one, so the children potted their own seedling to bring home. We discussed the things the sunflower would need to grow. We thought it would be nice to take the sunflowers home, care for them and watch them grow! If you would like to give us sunflower growth updates please send some photos to Tapestry and we can share them in class with the children.

The children have worked very hard this term and have achieved an awful lot! I am very proud of all of them! I hope you all have a lovely Easter break. I look forward to seeing you all when we are back.



Have a lovely Easter!

Miss Dale

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Easter Gardens



