Reception Newsletter

Friday 6th June 2025

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term break. I cannot believe we have reached Term 6 already! It was so lovely to have the surprise present when we returned to school, this has eased the disappointment of the chicks not hatching last term and we are so excited and hopeful for chicks to hatch this term! A massive thank you to you all for your kind gift, so thoughtful and lovely!



In phonics this week the children have been reviewing sounds previously taught and reading words with long vowel sounds in such as: joint, bright, train, green and gloom. We have been practising reading and writing Tricky Words too. The children will spend time this term reviewing Tricky Words previously taught, no new Tricky Words until they move to Year 1 now. Please keep practising reading the Tricky Words at home to help the children improve their fluency when reading. The children may also like to practise writing the Tricky Words at home too to help consolidate their learning.

In maths this week the children have been reviewing their knowledge of 2D shapes, naming them and describing their properties. They have also been exploring 2D shapes and investigating how to create models and creations by manipulating and rotating the shapes to create different designs. The children enjoyed making rockets and boats!

The children have started their minibeast topic (which they seem to be really enjoying!) this week. We read the story of 'Superworm' and created minibeast superheroes with special powers. They loved it and had some super ideas! The children have produced some lovely pieces of writing about minibeasts. They have also learnt many facts about minibeasts and their habitats, counted minibeasts in slime and created beautiful minibeast gardens using watercolour paints.

I just wanted to let you know that I have been carrying out pre-school visits this week and I have a few more next week. During this time Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Brown have been with the class to ensure consistency. The weeks beginning June 16th and June 23rd are when Mrs Mitchell and I will be carrying out home visits for the new intake. During this time, Mrs Mockler, who will be the children's Year 1 teacher, will be covering me with support from Mrs Brown. This will be a lovely way for the children to get to know their new teacher before the summer holidays and ensure a good transition to Year 1. There will be some days within that period that I will be with the children for example for our sports day. Please do not feel you cannot contact me during this time, I will still be in school every day and

planning and setting up for the class. I will still be able to receive messages in the contact books or you can email the office and they will pass on your messages. The children are also going to have a few afternoons in the Year 1 classroom with Mrs Mockler before the end of this term to support their transition to Year 1.

Just to let you know we have Woodland Learning on **Thursday 26th July** and **Tuesday 8th July** this term.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dale