

Reception Summer Term Newsletter

<u>Topic</u>

Our topic for this half term is 'Tractors, trailers and trowels' and the children will be learning about farming, farm animals and where our food comes from. We will be reading the books below, as well as a range of other fiction and nonfiction books to help us gather information and to find out more about farming. The children will also be learning nursery rhymes and action rhymes linked to the topic.



We will also aim to develop our observation and exploration skills by focusing on the seasonal changes around us as we move from the season of Spring towards Summer.

<u>Phonics</u>

In Reception, we are continuing to use the Little Wandle' Phonics scheme. We have now bought the books for children to enjoy and share with you at home, as we value the importance of children reading a book.



Every Friday your child will receive the book to take home. This will help your child's confidence with fluency as the book is familiar to them. The school has invested heavily in these books. It is important the books are returned so the next group of children can use them. Please make sure the book is returned the following Thursday.

Here is the link for the parents' section of the Little Wandle website. https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/

Religious Education

In RE this half term, our first topic is our Pentecost - Serving topic where our theme is Good News. The children will be learning about passing on the Good News of Jesus, the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit. At home, talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. In our 'Other Faiths' week, we will be learning about Sikhism.

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Good News - Keep us informed!

'Wow!' certificates are available for you to fill in whenever your child achieves a special goal. Perhaps they can put on their shoes, ride a bike, try a new food or write their name. Each child's achievement will be unique to them.

Outdoor Learning

Some of the reasons why we incorporate outdoor learning are:

- The positive impact it has on the health and wellbeing of young people
- It helps to develop responsible and independent young people, with lifelong appreciation of the natural world
- The outdoors improves children's social and communication skills which are essential
- Being outdoors in all weathers can be beneficial for children's stamina, resilience, and understanding of the seasons and how they change

How you can help at home:

- Read to your child as often as possible; as well as reading stories you can read print in the environment e.g. signs and street names
- Count objects with your child and encourage them to recognise the basic shapes around them
- Encourage independent skills and allow your child to put on their own shoes, jumpers/cardigans and coats
- Practise name and sentence writing

Important Dates!

Queen's Platinum Jubilee -Thursday, 26th May: We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and the children can wear red, white and blue. They will be taking part in a range of activities and games to celebrate the day.



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School Holiday PD Days (students will not-attend school)

Don't forget to visit our website for more information <u>https://ctking.npcat.org.uk</u>

Thank you for your continued support.