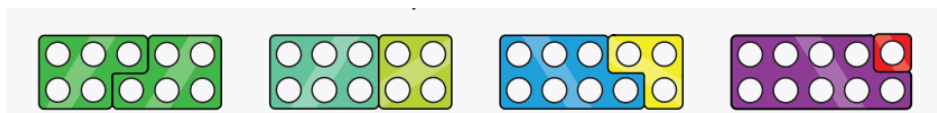


Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and we hope you have had a very enjoyable Easter holiday.

In Literacy this week, we have revised the phase 3 sounds and practised blending these sounds in words. We are continuing to revise all of the tricky words taught so far and will soon begin to introduce the phase 4 tricky words. We have learnt that the 's' grapheme can make the 'z' sound within and at the end of words e.g. fishes, foxes, boxes, wishes etc.

In Numeracy this week we have been encouraging the children to build on their conceptual subitising, '1 more and 1 less skills by focusing on the composition of numbers up to 10. As the children's number sense develops, they learn to see greater numbers as a whole number and it's parts at the same time. We have explored partitioning in different ways with different objects and asked questions such as 'What is the whole?' and 'What is the part?' We also explored number bonds to 10 and built 10 using 2 parts. We asked the children to find as many number bonds to 10 that they could.



In topic work, we have been learning all about Eid. We have looked at different clothes that are worn, found out lots of new information around why Eid is celebrated and created our own Mehndi patterns.

I can tell you all about Eid!

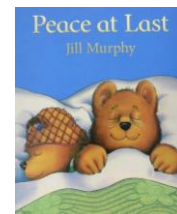
This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

This week's 'Word of the Week' is: **Eid**

Please click on the link below to share this week's Eid song with your child.

[Eid Mubarak song](#)

This week we have enjoyed sharing our class reader: **Peace at Last**



As we move into the summer months and hopefully the weather becomes warmer, please can you ensure that sun cream is applied to your child before bringing them to school on hotter days or if a sunny forecast is given. The children can also bring in their own named sun hat and sun cream to keep in their drawer if you wish for them to re-apply later in the day if necessary.

Throughout the summer term we will be having our PE lessons outside as we begin our athletics topic. Weather permitting, the children will continue to wear their shorts and t-shirts during each PE session. If you prefer, your child is welcome to bring an outdoor PE kit into school. This should include some joggers and a jumper or hoodie. Their PE kits will still be sent home at the end of the half term.

Please remember that school is closed for pupils for the Polling Day on Thursday 2nd May 2024 and on Monday 6th May for the Bank Holiday.

This half term we will be having another 'Open door' session for each class. This is when we invite parents and carers to join us in the classroom and engage in activities alongside your child. You will need to enter school via the main entrance by the school office. Please make sure that you check the weekly letter for information on your child's Open Door session. The Open Door session will start at 2.30pm and finish at 3:05pm, giving us time to get ready for home time when the children will leave school as normal. There is no obligation to come to your child's session and if you cannot join us at all due to work commitments then that is fine also. If you have a willing grandparent or relative who could come instead they would be very welcome to join us. We look forward to seeing any parents, grandparents or childminders that can attend.

Tuesday 7th May 2:30pm until 3:05pm- Open Door for RV Parents/Carers.

Tuesday 14th May 2:30pm until 3:05pm-Open Door for RM parents/Carers.

If you do have any concerns or questions do please write them in your child's home/school book.

Many thanks
The Reception Team