

## Reception Newsletter

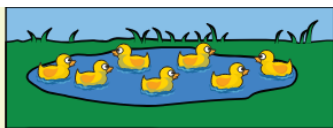
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have focused on reading phase 4 sentences by sounding out each word and then blending them together. We then read the sentence again to gain more fluency and understanding. We have also been practising blending the phase 4 cluster sounds, listening carefully for the sounds that are more difficult to hear. We have learnt some more of the phase 4 tricky words; **some**, **come**, **love** and **do**. Please keep practising reading these tricky words at home with your child. This week we have been practising forming the trigraph 'igh' and the digraph 'oa.'



In Numeracy we have been continuing our learning about taking away. We used real objects to see that a quantity of a group can be changed by taking away. We used the first, then, now structure as we created our own mathematical stories. We asked the children key questions such as 'How many are there?' 'How many are there now?' 'How many were taken away?'



In topic work, we have been learning all about minibeasts. We have looked at their habitats and how they survive. We painted our very own minibeasts and made minibeast homes in our junk modelling area. We have challenged the children to find as many minibeasts as they can. We have been keeping a very close eye on our Reception caterpillars which are now very big.

Next week we will be learning about the lifecycle of a frog.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

**I can tell you all about my favourite minibeast.**

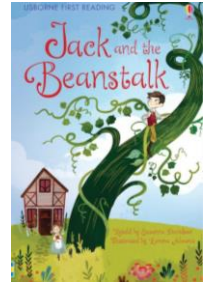
This week's word of the week is: **Invertebrate.**

Please click on the link below to share our song of the week with your child.

[Minibeasts song](#)



Our class reader this week is: **Jack and the Beanstalk**



**Dates for your diary:**

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

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

Next Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May is **RV's** Friday bake. If possible, we would like the children to bring in some buns to sell to the rest of the school. All proceeds made during the Friday bun sale are sent to our chosen school charities for this year. Please remember that we are a **no nuts** school.

If you do have any concerns or questions do not hesitate to write in your child's home/school book.

Many thanks

The Reception Team