



18 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information - Week Beginning 18.3.24

Parent/carer – teacher consultations are this Wednesday evening for those who have booked.

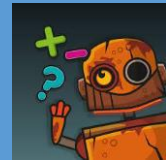
Remember – these meetings are for adults only. No children will be allowed into school at this time.

Remember to visit the Reception classrooms to see your child's books.

Show and Tell is this **Thursday** for **Green** group in each class with the theme 'Something I have made.'

It's super to see so many children practising their number skills using Numbots at home!

Remember to log on through [Wonde](#) using your child's emoji password then click the 'Numbots' icon.



What a fantastic Zoo Lab experience the children had last week. We were so impressed with the courage shown by all of them. We were also impressed at the super questions and curious attitude that everyone showed – it was so interesting to learn all about the creatures that we met.

Last week it was our 'Superhero Day!'. During lunch time a terrible thing happened – the Evil Pea came to the Reception classrooms and stole all of the values buttons! Luckily, we had 90 superheroes on hand to help. Hopefully, your own superhero will have been able to tell you about how they cracked the special code and defeated the Evil Pea!



Learning questions:

What are the signs of the season of spring?

What do Christians believe happened in the 'Easter Story?'

This week we will be thinking about the upcoming season of spring and changes that occur in nature around this time. We will think about the four seasons and how each is different and unique. We will be creating some artwork to represent the changes we are learning about.

We will also look at the Christian story of Easter and think about the ways in which people might celebrate this occasion.

The key learning and skills we will focus on this week are:

- Using 'because' to give reasons for events/actions.
- Using correct letter formation for all letters
- Reading short phrases and sentences
- Experimenting with a range of materials for different creative purposes.

- Talking about how to solve a particular problem and deciding together what to do
- Leaving a space between words.
- Finding out about the different beliefs that people have
- Experimenting with moving a range of balls in different ways
- Subitising up to 10 using a ten frame to support thinking

Phonics

Most children are now confident with recognising all the single letter sounds, but there are one or two letters that can be a bit tricky.

Practice is the only way to get better at anything!

If your child tends to muddle up 'b' and 'd' you could watch these sound lessons a few times together to help them consolidate:

Sound 'd' <https://tinyurl.com/z95n4ssn>

Sound 'b' <https://tinyurl.com/3ncek3kn>

If your child is confident with all the single letter sounds, they could practice some 'special friends':

Special friend 'sh' <https://tinyurl.com/5bwr5th>

Special friend 'th' <https://tinyurl.com/2yjxveet>

Concept Word

This week's concept word is: **below**



Look out of the window, can you talk about what you see using the word **below**?

Reading

This week's red words are: **we, so**

Last week's red words were: **all, was**

Please review all of the red words: **I, my, the, you, said, your, are, be, of, no, what**

If you have time, you could set up a game of matching pairs using these red words and play with your child at the weekend.

Maths

Our focus in maths continues to be on the great importance of the parts and wholes of numbers from 1-8. We will recap our understanding of subtraction using a variety of methods and will record our findings using a written number sentence.


When we're thinking about subtraction we can remember 'When we subtract a part from the whole, the other part is left.'

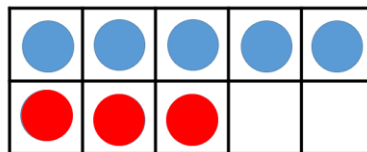
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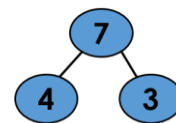
Whole – part = part

Subtraction missing numbers:

What is under the oval? $8 - 3 =$ 



Subtracting a part from the whole:



What is missing from the number sentence? $7 - 3 = 4$

Show and Tell

Our new theme for Show and Tell this half term is '**something I have made**'. This is a great opportunity for your child to learn about the world around them and to get busy making – try to allow your child to come up with their own idea so that they enjoy the process. For example – your child might like to: make a factual poster about jungle animals/write a story/ build a vehicle using junk modelling/ collage/ paint/ make puppets/prepare some food etc. The list is endless! If your child's creation is too difficult to bring into school a photo will be a good way of sharing it. You can either print this off or email it to your child's class teacher. Show and Tell is for the **Green** groups on **Thursday**.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs McCarthy



For your calendar:

Book Fair

Monday 25.3.24 and Tuesday 26.3.24
after school at the East Gate.

Wednesday 27.3.24 and Thursday 28.3.24
after school at the West Gate.

Thursday 28.3.24 School Closes Early for Easter

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Y1/Y2: 12.45pm	Y1/Y2: 12.50pm
Y3/Y6: 12.50pm	Y3/Y6: 12.55pm
Y4/Y5: 12.55pm	Y4/Y5: 1.00pm
Sunset Collection:	
2.30pm or 3.30pm - 4.00pm	

Coming up soon:

March																		
Tuesday 19.3.24	Morning	2W's visit to ASK restaurant in Epsom																
Tuesday 19.3.24	Moring – 3J	Visit to Sikh Gurdwara Temple																
Wednesday 20.3.24	8.55am – 9.55am	PTA Class Reps Coffee Morning with Mrs Druce – Agenda: Summer term fundraising and spending plans																
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Friday 22.3.24	Morning	3K – Feet First – Safety walking training																
Friday 22.3.24	Evening	PTA Quiz Night for adults																
Monday 25.3.24	All day	Y4 – World War II Evacuee Day																
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Reminders for you:

YN – Y6 Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

Please remember to book your PCTCs through Scopay before the bookings close on Tuesday 19.3.24.

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Please can we kindly remind you that if you are attending a PCTC at school, children cannot accompany you to the meeting.

PTA Quiz Night Friday 22.3.24

Please remember to book your ticket via PTA Events.