



Robin Hood Primary School

Reception Newsletter – Friday 10th May 2024

This Week:

The children have had another great week in Reception. There has been so much excitement across Reception as the children have had the wonderful first-hand experience of observing the life cycle of a butterfly. With noses almost glued to jars, the children have watched in awe, waiting for the caterpillars to emerge from their eggs.

Home Learning:

Reading – To read your phonics book at least 4 times a week, and your reading for pleasure book with a parent. **Please bring your Reading Folder to school every Thursday. These will be changed and handed back out by Friday.** Please remember to log the books we send home from school, on in your Reading Planner. It is optional to record any other books you share with your child.

Please complete the Home Learning worksheet and return by **Thursday 16th May.**

Next Week:

English: In English next week, we will continue our theme of miniature worlds by reading '*The Very Hungry Caterpillar*' by Eric Carle. The children will learn the story through Talk for Writing and will retell it using actions and a story map. We will be encouraging the children to use their Phonics skills independently to write simple sentences from the story. The children will continue to write their name daily and we will be looking for correctly formed letters in both their first and last name.

Phonics: We will learn the new letter/sounds /ur/, /ow/ and will practise listening and identifying these sounds in a Floppy Phonics story. The children will be encouraged to match these initial sounds to objects and listen for the sounds in different words. We will progress onto writing these sounds and drawing images to represent the sounds in words.

Maths: In Maths, the children will explore the properties of shapes and spatial relations. They will explore moving, turning, rotating and flipping shapes to fit into the spaces provided. The children will have opportunities to see shapes in a variety of orientations and positions and they will learn that the same shape can look different.

Wider Curriculum: In Understanding the World, children will learn that a life cycle is the different stages of a living thing. The children will understand that their grandparents have not always been the same age; they were once a child also. The children will use this knowledge to understanding life cycles: baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult, elderly.

Reminders:

- Reception PE days are on a **Wednesday** (outdoor) and **Thursday** (indoor). On these days, your child can come to school dressed in their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms or shorts, black or green jumper and trainers).
- Every day your child has the option of having a piece of snack (fruit or vegetable) provided by school, which they can enjoy in the Snack Café. Please feel free to send in an alternative piece of fruit or vegetable, if you wish.
- Water Bottles will remain in school and will be washed and refilled ready for your child every day.
- We are a Healthy School, therefore if you are sending your child with a packed lunch, please ensure you are providing a balanced, healthy lunch for your child. You can find some suggestions on the following website - <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#lunchbox-recipes>, which provides some sweet/chocolate substitutions, as sweets and chocolates should not be in your child's lunchbox.
- Please ensure you have joined your child's Google Classroom to ensure you are receiving key information and updates.

Have a lovely half term,

Miss Mills, Miss Parker & the Reception Team.