

Reception News

Spring 2 Week 1 – 4th March 2022

What have we been learning?

- ◆ In our Phonics sessions this week we have been looking again at all of our Phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs. We have been practising spotting these sounds in words to help us with our reading. We have also been writing words containing these sounds on our little whiteboards independently.
- ◆ In our Maths group times we have started to think about subtraction practically, so that we can visualise that it means taking an amount away from a group of objects.
- ◆ On Monday morning we were “**Nature Detectives**” when we went for a walk around our school grounds looking for signs of Spring. It was lots of fun and we spotted quite a few; including snowdrops, leaf buds on both the beech hedge and the fruit trees, crocus flowers, and finally tulips and daffodils which are getting ready to flower.

We **loved** going on our signs of Spring walk on Monday. It was sunny but rather chilly!

It has been great fun playing in our new role play “Flower Shop” this week.

Forming our numbers from 0 - 10 independently.

Homework

Literacy

- We have set some **letter formation** homework as we have noticed that some of the children are starting in the wrong place when they are writing letters, especially o, a, g, d, b, f and s. Please can your child trace over each of the lower case letters, starting at the red arrow each time.
- Reading books - *Please continue to comment in your child's reading record book about their reading progress at home. We really do value your insight into how they are managing with their reading at home. Thank you!*
- Sight words.

Maths

- Continue to practise forming numbers from 0 to 10, using the “Ten Town” rhymes to help you to start in the right place each time.
- Practise taking away using objects. Give your child up to 10 objects and ask them count how many there are. Tell them how many you want them to take away and ask them to do it practically to find the answer. If they can manage up to 10 objects, then try up to 15, followed by 20. Remind them to count the number of objects they start with carefully - especially with the larger numbers!

World Book Day

As a whole school, we all absolutely loved our “Book Sharing Picnic” in order to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday in our house colour groups. Everyone really enjoyed the theme of “Sharing a Story” with children from different classes in school, where the older children were able to read stories to the younger ones.