

Reception Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

Friday 13th May 2022

One of our new vocabulary words this was '**shoot**'. This is relating to the sunflower seeds planted last week. Children have been observing their plants daily and have noticed the shoot popping up out of the soil. Remembering back to last week, children commented on how **roots** should now be in the soil and the **stem** will begin to grow. The sunflower will need repotting when children take them home in a couple of weeks.

Another observation made this week is how big Sandy and Sonic are getting and how the colour of their shells are changing. Sandy and Sonic enjoy eating any green vegetables and this week they tried sprouts for the first time.

This week we have been reading Julia Donaldson's Superworm. This was the theme of many learning activities, children had to use their phonic knowledge to write what they could see in each of 'the can of worms'. Many of the items included 'special friends' sounds (two letters that make one sound e.g. 'sh', 'ch', 'ng', 'ee'). Another activity was creating a Superworm using play dough and compare the length to their friends Superworm. 'Superworm' moved around a lot, children used positional language to describe where he was in location to other items.

In the outdoor provision children have been exploring and investigating different types of bats and balls (tennis ball, ping pong balls, rolled up socks, scrunched up tin foil). Children spoke about the type of bat and balls that go well together and why they think it's easier to hit certain balls. This is all part of the Physical Development area of the EYFS Curriculum.

As Part of the Understanding the World area of the Curriculum is to learn about the past. Our school is over 100 years old and we have many pictures, documents and other recordings dating back many years. Children have enjoyed looking at photographs of our classrooms from the past and discussing how they have changed over the years as well as the similarities. Next week we will be walking around the school building to look at many of the changes that have been made. Our school website has section on the history of our school if you would like to take a look, you will find it under the heading 'About Us'.



Diary Dates

Friday 27th May — Children break up for half term, school closes at normal time.

Monday 13th June—School reopens.

Enjoy the weekend

Reception Team