



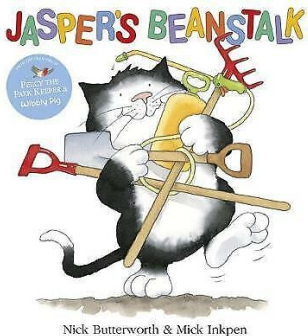
Reception Class Newsletter



Friday 21st April 2023

  Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to our parents/carers and children; we hope you enjoyed quality family time over the Easter break. The children have returned to school to find a flower shop in our classroom. Our flower shop will promote the children's mathematical skills e.g., counting money to pay for flowers in the shop and children's literacy skills e.g., writing order forms. Activities surrounding the flower shop will serve to promote children's understanding of the world. You can see our flower shop on our twitter feed [@stannestanleyf2](#). Next week, we will be planting seeds with a view to observing how the seeds grow and change over time.



Nick Butterworth & Mick Inkpen

Role play in our flower shop together with planting seeds links with our anchor text for this half term 'Jasper's Beanstalk' by Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen. Our anchor text promotes the mathematical area of measure with a focus on time i.e. the days of the week.

You can support your child to develop their understanding of time by discussing the days of the week with a focus on what happens on each day. You can further support your child by using the language of 'today', 'tomorrow' and 'yesterday' e.g. Today is Wednesday, what day will it be tomorrow? The focus on time runs alongside our maths focus for this week i.e. 3D shapes.

We have been learning the names and properties of 3D shapes. You can explore the properties of 3D shapes at home using household objects. Can your child identify the shapes of common household items e.g. tins, boxes etc. Which objects roll and which objects stack? Exploring 3D shapes in this way supports our understanding of the properties of 3D shapes.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Bell and Miss Murphy