

Reception Class Newsletter



Dear Parents and Guardians,

6th October 2026



Miss Sargeant asked can we pass on her thanks to all who have returned the feedback form following the Phonics workshop. The impact on the children's progress in phonics is evidenced when home supports school. We do appreciate this as we realise how busy lives are.

In mathematics we continue to focus on number bonds to 5 alongside comparing numbers. There has also been a focus on length and height and using non-standard measures when comparing objects. For example a pencil may be as short as 4 cubes, a paintbrush as long as 10 cubes and so on. The numbers are then used to compare. For some children they are able to say the paintbrush is 6 cubes longer than the pencil demonstrating a good concept of number. In the outdoor provision, throwing an object then working out the distance using blocks or crates to compare, making play dough worms then measuring how long using cubes, are activities which help to embed the idea of "measures" whilst at the same time give the opportunity to compare number. Books which can be found on YouTube on the topic of length and height include SUPERWORM by Julia Donaldson, ACTUAL SIZE by Steve Jenkins, JIM and the BEANSTALK by Raymond Briggs, TITCH by Pat Hutchins, I CAN ONLY DRAW WORMS by Will Hobbitt and TALL by Jez Alborough and Jack and the BEANSTALK. These are well worth a look at if you can.



This week was Careers Week in school. Each class throughout the school was visited by a parent who had volunteered to talk to the children about their job. Many thanks to the parents who offered to do this, we do appreciate you giving up your time. One of our past pupils who is now a vet came to visit, it was so lovely to see her as you can imagine.

The children looked amazing in their outfits on World Book Day. They attended an assembly in the school hall to give the opportunity to see what other storybook characters they could spot. The behaviour was excellent. As the school year progresses Reception will be joining in more with school events in preparation for their move to Year 1 in September.

Many thanks for your constant support and if you do have any queries about anything at all please let us know.

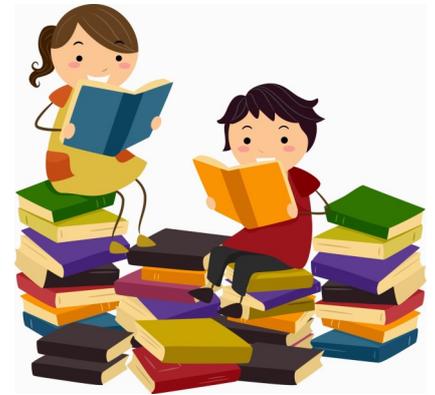
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