

Reception Class News

As the summer term comes to the end, we wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support. It has been an exciting and eventful year, we hope you enjoy the photographs of some of the wonderful experiences the children have had in Reception. We are extremely proud of how the children have embraced their learning over the year.



The children had a visit from Elworthy Flowers . The florist showed the children different types of flowers and how to make a bouquet. Staff from Asda brought one of their lorries to teach children about road safety. The children enjoyed sitting in the lorry. Mrs Walter very kindly delivered a presentation about her inspiring charity work in a refugee camp in Thailand. This was a fabulous opportunity for the children to reflect on their own life and also develop an understanding of the needs of others in the world.



The children designed their own miniature gardens and enjoyed exhibiting their hard work. To complete the gardening topic the children had an English Garden party. They prepared the food and took part in traditional party games.



All the children worked hard in preparing and sharing their learning experiences in their class assembly. The children also helped the transition process for the new intake. The Teddy Bear's Picnic was a lovely way to end our fantastic year!



Keep those minds and bodies active!

Here are some useful activities to keep children busy over the holidays:

Practise writing for different purposes by asking children to write messages, lists and notes. The Keyword charts have already been emailed to you.

Use the Keywords to write funny sentences or poems. It will help your child if you encourage them to write about their interests such as spies or knights and princesses.

Write sounds on small pieces of paper such as sh, ch, th, a, s, t, n, i and ask children to make different words. When they become confident, give them 2 minutes to complete a word challenge!

Give your child 20 drinking straws or pebbles and ask them to make 3 different things with the same amount of objects. This will help your child problem solve. You can increase the challenge by timing them or adding more objects.

Ask your child to label 5 water bottles with different numbers and place them on the wall or ground. Use a tennis ball to knock down each bottle and record the scores. You can either ask your child to order the numbers from lowest to highest or add the numbers together.

Here are some websites the children can access free games:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/barnabybear>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/boogie-beebies>

<http://uk.ixl.com>

Here are some websites that contain free ideas for family fun and general support for families:

<http://www.nhs.uk/Change4Life/Pages/games4life.aspx>

<http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/parents>

<http://www.dad.info>

<http://www.netmums.com/coffeehouse>

<http://www.familyandparenting.org>

Sadly, it is time to say farewell to our children and families in Reception. It has been a pleasure working with all of you. We hope you have a fantastic summer break and we look forward to seeing you all in Year 1 with Miss Willcocks.

