

Reception Class News



Welcome back! The children worked extremely hard last term. This newsletter will keep you informed about what your child is learning in school and forthcoming events.



ZooLab came to visit Reception Class, the children met a corn snake, giant millipede, African snail, tarantula and a cockroach.

Mrs Vaughan talked to the children about Bee Keeping. The children loved tasting the fresh honey, yum, yum!



We went to the school field to draw and label different types of plants and flowers we could see. The children collected flowers and plants for their Art work.

The children enjoyed finding different minibeasts in our garden. They also used information books to find out facts about their bugs.



Creating repeated patterns with beads.

Exploring the concept of capacity.

This term our main topic is Under the Sea. Below are some of the themes we hope to cover in each Area of Learning. However, these may change due to the children's interests.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Values unity and appreciation.
Persevering with challenging activities.
Listening and following instructions.
Express feelings appropriately.
Transition activities for Year 1.

Communication and Language & Literacy

Using information books to research.
Using basic grammar in writing.
Writing simple stories.
Using dictionaries.
Alliteration.

Mathematics

Addition
Subtraction
Problem solving
Estimation
Counting in forwards and backwards.

Understanding of the World

Find out about different sea creatures.
Talk about past and present events.
Identify similarities and differences between sea creatures.
Selecting and using computer programs.
Talking about things that change.

Physical Development

Team games
Handwriting
Healthy living
Handling tools
Personal hygiene.

Expressive Arts and Design

Create miniature garden
Observational drawing
Creating own music and dance sequences
Wood work
Learning new songs and poems.



Notices:

Please note **P.E** is now taking place every **Monday** afternoon with Mr Winton. This term children will be developing key skills for Sport's Day.

The children will be making their miniature gardens in school. Please could you send a **seed tray and the accessories for your child's design in a named bag on Friday 6th June 2014.**

We hope you are accessing the Interactive Learning Diary to view your child's observations. Please feel free to upload your own photographs of your child's experiences at home.

As the weather is hopefully getting warmer, please apply sun cream to your child and remind them to bring a named sun hat. If you wish to keep sun cream in your child's drawer, please label it clearly.



Give your child a helping hand by practising Mathematics and Literacy skills.

Encourage your child to write simple sentences using the Reception Keywords. Support your children by reminding them to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops appropriately.

Encourage your child to review their work and ideas. Ask them to make suggestions how they can improve their work further.