

# St Joseph's

## Reception Newsletter



The children have enjoyed our final week for this half term. They have been doing lots of fun activities focused on our book 'Sharing a Shell' as well as our Maths topic-time.

Our new topic is 'Ready, Steady, Grow': - in this project your child will take part in practical activities to explore where food comes from. They will learn what seeds and plants need to grow as well as growing a variety of plants. They will explore what constitutes a healthy lifestyle, including eating fruit and vegetables, exercise and teeth brushing. They will find out about life on a farm and about baby animals.

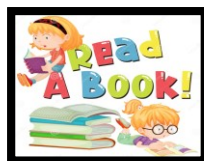
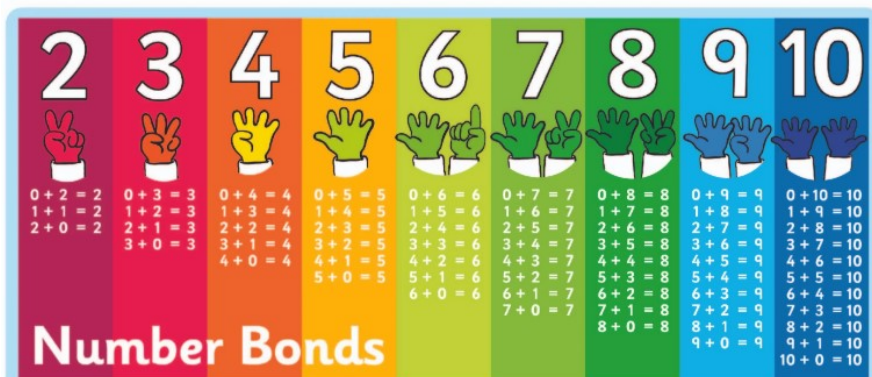
How you can support your child at home:

- Visit your local library and find books about farms to share.
- Make a shopping list together and go to the shops to buy the food.
- Grow some quick growing plants or make a cress head.
- Talk about healthy foods.

Maths- In Maths we will be learning all about finding, building and representing numbers 9 and 10. This will allow the children to develop a deeper understanding of both numbers and the various ways in which they can be made.

How to support your child at home:

- [Number bonds to 9 | Reception maths | addition - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [Number bonds to 10 | Reception maths | Number bonds to 10 worksheet - BBC Bitesize](#)



Can we please ask that you work in partnership with us to help your child reach their full potential by reading with them, signing the record and ensuring it is in school every day. Additionally, please use the phonics QR codes at home to support your child's progress in phonics. The half term is a great opportunity to engage with this and consolidate learning.



## Information:



**For Your information:** In the mornings, a teacher will be at a table near the door working with groups of children to help further their learning. Please allow your children to walk through the doors independently.



### *Our topic next term is: 'Ready, Steady, Grow'*

- In this project your child will take part in practical activities to explore where food comes from. We will be starting our Reception garden when we return to school and would appreciate any donations of child friendly garden tools, pots, plants or seeds.
- If you have any spare bottoms, underwear or socks to donate, we would greatly appreciate them.



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[This is the way! | Play dough song for fine motor development | Dough dance](#)

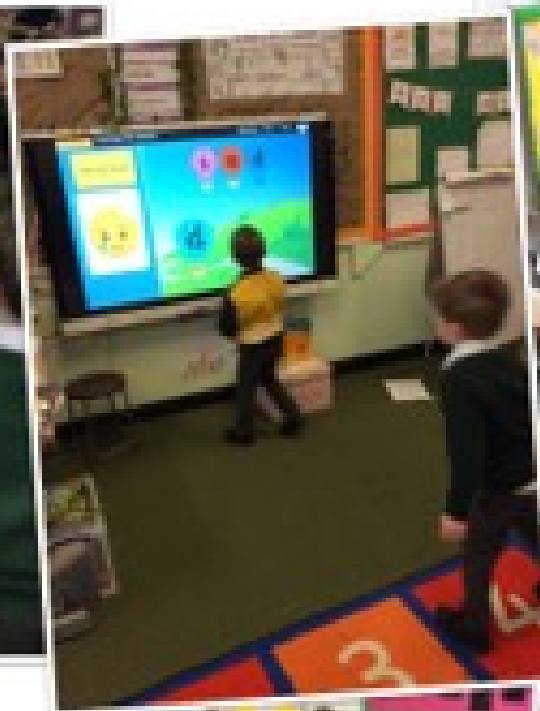
[Let's all do the 10 dance \(number bonds to 10 song\)](#)



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**Highlights:** We have enjoyed doing phonics, exploring time and learning about 'Sharing the Shell'.



## Highlights:

We have had great fun making watches, creating our own 'Sharing is Caring' posters and being investigators.



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*Have a lovely half term  
Thank you for your support  
The Reception Team.*