

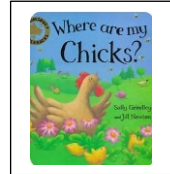
St Joseph's

Reception Newsletter



What another busy week in reception! The children have enjoyed celebrating St Joseph's Feast Day and being part of the special blessing of the pod. We are all really excited about our new winged visitors!

Our new mini topic is 'Signs of Spring': - 'This project teaches children about the changes that happen during the Spring, including weather and the festivals that are celebrated at this time of year.'



Our focus book next week is 'Where are my Chicks?'

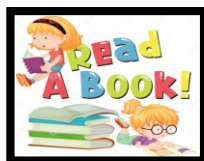
How you can support your child at home:

- Go on a Spring walk and take photographs of signs of Spring.
- Make a weather diary to observe how the weather changes.
- Visit a pond and look for signs of new life, such as ducklings and frogspawn.

Maths- In maths we will be exploring and investigating 3D Shapes and revisiting 2D Shapes.

How to support your child at home:

- Have a 3D shape hunt at home
- Draw a picture using shapes
- Continue to listen to the doubles song
- Continue to listen to the number bonds song



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 reading record and ensuring it is in school every day. Additionally, please continue to use the QR codes sent home and play Fred games with your child. This will greatly improve their progress in reading and writing!



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.

IMPORTANT: No parent/carer should enter the classroom with their child in the morning.

Our topic this term is: 'Ready, Steady, Grow'

- We will be making preparations to start our Reception garden in the coming weeks and would appreciate any donations of child friendly garden tools, pots, plants or seeds. We would also welcome parents to come in the afternoon to help prepare our garden area. Please speak to the Reception teachers if you wish to help.
- If you have any spare bottoms, underwear or socks to donate, we would greatly appreciate it.
- Nappy bags and wipes would also be greatly appreciated



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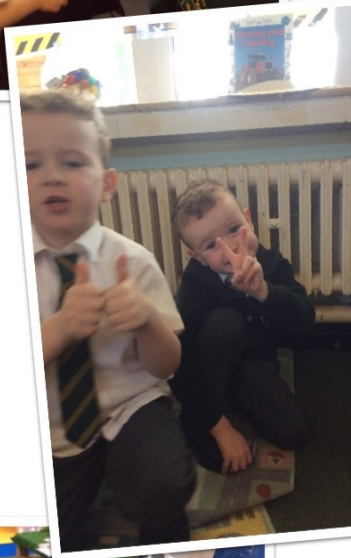
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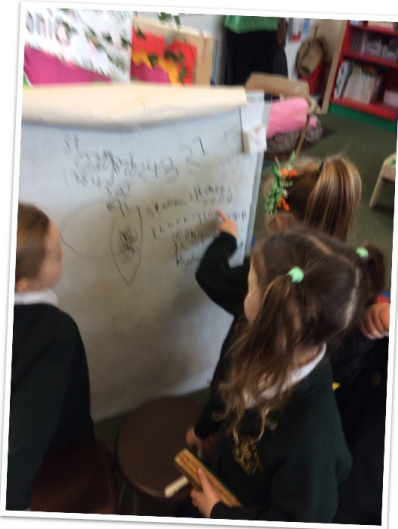


Highlights: The children have been very busy writing and creating posters this week. We also made bracelets!



Highlights:

The children are eager to write, it has been fabulous seeing them apply their phonics independently.



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