

Early Years Newsletter

Friday 28th April

With Miss Smith and Mr Bradman

This week we have learnt about growing and how we have changed over the years from being a baby to being in Reception. We have also made sunflowers, planted sunflower seeds and have made sprout houses to grow broad beans. The children have particularly enjoyed planting this week and are excited to see how our seeds and beans grow. We have also started an investigation to see if different food colourings change the colour of the petals in a daisy. The children are observing the Changes daily and discussing why the Changes are occurring. The flowers are on display in the windowsill, so do have a look at our investigation. Once again the children were all amazing in the swimming pool, they are really enjoying their lessons and listening very well. Congratulations to Markus and Daniel for achieving the behaviour award.

Next week is



week

The children are very excited to be learning about Star Wars next week and have chosen what they would like to learn about and we have had some amazing ideas. We will be making the Death Star, R2-D2, making Yoda and Princess Leia headbands and even baking some Wookie cookies.

If you have any spare toilet and kitchen roll tubes at home, we would be very grateful for them in school to make lightsabers next week. Thank you.

With Mrs Bendall

We have been excited to welcome more new entrants to Nursery this week; five tiny Caterpillars, who we will look after until they turn into butterflies! We have already noticed that they have grown bigger and more, 'spiky'. Our broad beans, planted last week, are also developing well and many have started to grow shoots. The children have really enjoyed making banana Cake to be eaten at Shack Time, identifying the numbers in the recipe, then Carefully Counting out and measuring ingredients. There has been a lot of interest in witches this week, with many potions being created, some Containing special ingredients to make them bubble. In Phonics, we have focused on the sound 't', singing the 't' song, doing the actions (looking from side to side as if watching tennis) and, of course, playing t-t-t-tennis, too!

Notices

- Bright Sparks: We would be very grateful if you could share with us any amazing achievements that your child has made out of school, so that we can celebrate them in school, too.
- We would be grateful for any boxes etc. which we can use in our junk modelling area.
- If you have any uniform, pants, socks etc. at home that your child has borrowed from school could you please return them as soon as possible as we are running low.
- Please ensure all PE kit and school uniform is named with the correct name. We have numerous items
 of clothing in the classroom that are not named and are in our lost property. Please come and have a
 look if you are missing any items.
- Please continue to write in your child's reading record once you have heard them read.

The Reception gate will be locked at 8:45am, in line with the rest of the school. If you arrive after this time please go to the office. Thank you.

Important Dates

1st May - Bank holiday Monday
13th May- PTA School Summer fête
29th May - Half term
10th June - PTA summer party
Friday 7th & Monday 10th July - Training days - School closed to children
Last day of Summer term - Friday 21st July

First day of Autumn term 2017 – Wednesday 6th September

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us, from all of the Early Years Team.