



## Early Years Newsletter

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

### With Miss Smith and Mr Bradman

This week the children have particularly enjoyed exploring in the tough spot and water tray. There have been a variety of bugs hiding in the spider webs and we have been threading leaves. The children have also made pasta life cycles of a butterfly, wool and nature butterflies, thinking about what the butterfly did next, writing bug menus and making some lovely things for Father's Day. Congratulations to Henry and Ophelia for achieving the behaviour award.

### Next week

For homework we have asked the children to either draw a story map or write the story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We have been learning about the story in class and this will support their learning.

At the end of Reception, we celebrate the children's achievements, by having a Graduation ceremony. In this, the children tell a story and graduate from Reception ready for Year One. The children have all been given their parts and letters will go home next week informing you of their parts and any costumes we may need.

We are still in need of spare egg boxes; we would really appreciate them for the class beehive we are making. Thank you.

As part of our topic of 'In the Garden' we have arranged for a minibeast workshop to come into school to see the Reception children on the 26<sup>th</sup> June. The children will have the opportunity to learn about different minibeasts as well as hold some of them.

Forest School- Even though the weather is warmer children will still need to wear long sleeve tops and trousers.

### With Mrs Bendall

Many of the children have been interested in our book about how the human body works, this week. We have talked about our senses and enjoyed experiences such as painting with fragrant spices and adding different colours and textures to our playdough. We have also been listening and dancing to a very eclectic range of music from Alvin and the Chipmunks to Queen! Outside, the children have enjoyed building complex waterway systems in the sandpit, thinking about how to stop the water from draining away and how to make it flow onto different levels. We have had a Maths focus this week, playing games involving counting and recognising numerals. Well done to all the children coming in by themselves now! If your child will be staying with us in Nursery in September, please let us know if you would like to increase their number of sessions.

### 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.

**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

23<sup>rd</sup> June- Doughnuts with Dad/ EYFS open morning 9-10 am

6<sup>th</sup> July- Graduation starting at 2:30pm.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> & Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Training days – School closed to children

Fun Sports Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – at 2.15 pm

18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July- Transition Days

Last day of Summer term – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

First day of Autumn term 2017 – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

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