



# Reception Newsflash



Friday 22nd March 2024

## Reception Weekly News

We have had another very busy week. I cannot believe that we are heading towards to the end of the busy term. This week we have been sharing the story 'The Bunny who found Easter'. We have found out that Easter isn't a place, that he was actually looking for but a special occasion. A lovely story if you would like to read it at home.



In Maths this week we have been looking at doubling and learning doubling facts. Have a look and see if you can double objects at home maybe pairing socks or doubling fruit, 2 apples and 2 apples make 4 apples, double 2 is 4. We have enjoyed learning about the Hindu Festival Holi this week. We know that Holi is the festival of colour and that some families come together to celebrate this festival.

### Homework Challenges

Next week we will be talking about how Christians celebrate Easter and how it is an important festival in the Christian calendar as well as learning a little bit of the Easter story. Could you talk with the children about some festivals that you celebrate as a family? This will help consolidate our work throughout the year about different festivals we have learning about including Christmas, Harvest, Holi and Sukkot.

### Half Term Homework Heads Up!

Over the last couple of weekends you have already completed the 'Make a Musical Instrument out of recyclable materials' activity from our Activity Passport <https://www.forefieldinfantschool.co.uk/activity-passport/> Well done they are absolutely fantastic and made an excellent addition to our music sessions and to our Holi celebrations. You can now tick it off in your Activity Passport, well done.

It is getting towards the end of the school year now, with only one term to go! We therefore suggest if you haven't already completed the majority of the passport activities (and are wanting to get your hands on one of our exclusive Gold Medals), you look at and complete some of the activities over the Easter break. Below are the activities to help you prioritise. Completing the School Trim Trail so we will tick that off in school so one less for you to worry about.



### HouseKeeping

#### Spellings

Thank you to all those parents who attended our Parents Phonics Workshop this week, it was lovely to share with you how well the children are doing with their Phonics skills and some top tips to support learning at home. During the evening we explained that spelling quizzes will be taking place after the holiday. Children will be bringing home 5 spellings each week to learn and then have a little quiz to find out how they are doing at learning them at the end of the week. More information will follow after the break.

Just to remind you...

Children will only receive Golden Tickets if it is the Phonics Bug book they have read at least three times a week **at home** and parents/ carers have recorded in this in the reading diary.

### **Easter Bonnet Parade**

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will be holding our Easter Bonnet Parade in school. The children can bring into school their very own Easter Bonnet and take part in a parade with the rest of their year group. We really look forward to seeing the children's wonderful creations!

### **Animals Take Over**

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March Animals take over will be visiting us. We will be learning all about and handling different mini beasts and creatures. We cannot wait to see what we will be finding out about. Please make sure that you have filled in the permission form that has been sent out via the app.

### **Fairy Tale Ball**

Our topic next term is Jack and the Beanstalk. To celebrate the launch of our new topic we are having a Fairy Tale Ball. Children are invited to come to school on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024 dressed as their favourite fairy tale character. You may come as a the wolf from the Three Little Pigs or dress as a little pig dressed head to toe in pink. You may want to come as the giant from the Jack and the Beanstalk. You may want to find your finest gown from your wardrobe and dress as a prince or princess. We cannot wait!

### **Farmer Teds**

The news is out and shared far and wide that Reception are off out to Farmer Teds on an Educational Visit on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May** 2024. Make sure you read and sign the letter that has been sent out via the app. We are so excited. Risk assessments and preparations are under way as we speak.

### **Naming clothes**

Please can we remind you to name all items of clothes that come into school, gloves, hats, PE jackets, jumpers, coats and cardigans. It would help us return things to the rightful owner.

### **Water bottles**

Please can we remind you to send water bottles containing only water in to school each day.

### **Dates for your diary**

**Easter Bonnet Parade** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March- Please bring your finest Easter hats to parade in school

**Golden Ticket prize winners** – A Children's Entertainer- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**School Finishes** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March- 1:50pm

**Back to school**- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

**FairyTale Ball**- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April

## Forest School

**Forest school Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Class 2**

**Forest School Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Class 3**

### Forest School Kit Information

Please can you Make sure that all children have gloves and a warm layer in their Forest School bag. Please can you check that your child hasn't grown out of their Forest School kit. The waterproof trousers (need to be waterproof and fit over the wellies and to the bottom of the wellies.

If you are concerned on colder days about your child's warmth, please put another layer in the bag ie thicker socks or a fleece, as it is easy to remove layers once out in the Forest School.

**Forest School sessions take place in the Afternoon** - so please send children into school in their PE kit- (just joggers, no shorts) not their **Forest School kit**. They will change into Forest School kits before the session so they don't get to warm.

Please could all Forest School kit listed above come in to school in a separate bag, (**pump bag, back pack**) which is **all** clearly named. This makes it easier when we are trying to get children changed. Please also provide a plastic bag so that dirty clothes can be placed into them to save rucksacks etc getting muddy too. Thank you 😊