

Reception Newsletter



Friday 21st May

Our golden promises

We promise to be...

Respectful (look after everyone and everything), **Thoughtful and Caring** (be kind, listen to others and use good manners), **Friendly** (share, play together and be happy), **Enthusiastic** (be excited learners), **Ambitious** (be the best you can be).

We learn by being..

Curious (asking questions, wanting to know more), **Resilient** (having a go, not giving up) **Collaborative** (working together, achieving together) **Creative** (having an idea, being creative, trying new ways) **Resourceful** (using a different strategy)

This week

In our Literacy learning this week we have talked about the character of the Ginger bread man. We thought about what he was like –'cheeky', 'mysterious'. We wondered whether he deserved to be eaten by the fox at the end of the story. There were lots of very interesting well expressed opinions on this. Later in the week, we received a letter from the Gingerbread man! He informed us that we have read the wrong version of the story and that he had run away from the fox, had crossed the river and was alive! We spent some time trying to work out how he crossed the river! There were ideas about boats, bridges and helicopters. In maths we have been practising solving addition problems by counting on. This is where we put the first number in our heads and count on from that. We have used lots of things to help us count on – cubes, pictures but this week we have used our fingers. The tadpoles are doing well and we have observed some changes in them such as growth. We looked at the lifecycle of a frog and learnt some more fascinating facts. It was crazy hair days today (Friday)- and it was great to see such creativity. We talked about why we are fundraising and talked about that worry 'part of me' and thought of ideas of how to shrink it.

Phonics

Sounds of the week: **ur (as in fur) and er (as in letter)**

We are learning to read: **all of them**. Please see the bookmark on reading books

We are learning to write: **are**

Next week (w/b 24th May)

We will be writing a new ending to the Ginger bread man story using our own ideas about how he crossed the river. We will also be learning what makes a good bridge and how to build one, using a range of different resources. We will need to be resourceful, creative and resilient. Our PE next week will be learning different ball skills such as how to hold the ball securely with 'spider hands' and how to bounce it. We shall be learning the last of our JONK learning dispositions - being reflective.

Ideas for home

What kind of worries do we have? Are they worries about the dark, things under the bed? How can we shrink these worries?

Other bits

PE - will be outside from now on. Both classes will have PE on a **TUESDAY**. Please ensure that your child has appropriate footwear for outdoor PE.

Diary dates

Monday 24th /Tuesday 25th - height and weight checks

Friday 28th - last day of half term

*Have a relaxing weekend
The Reception team*