

Reception Newsletter



Friday 9th July

Just a note:

This will be the last newsletter of the year.

Thank you everyone for your hard work this year. It has been a strange year for the children and they have been amazing. We hope you all have a brilliant summer holiday and we look forward to seeing the children in their Year 1 classes in September.

This week

The children have continued to learn about bees. They were fascinated to learn that there are 20,000 types of bees but only the honey bee makes honey. We then focused on the honey bee, learning that there are three types of honey bees; worker bees, drone bees and the queen bee. All have important jobs to make honey. We also learnt that honeycombs are made out of lots of hexagons joined together.

In Maths the children have built on their knowledge of directions and learnt to program a bee bot (a robot that you give directions to). We figured out the bee bot remembers all of the directions, so it is very important to clear its memory. The children have also explored the bee bot app on the iPad, it is a free app if you wish to have it at home too.

The children have been thinking about Year 1, and came up with lots of questions they have. On Thursday we got to ask our questions to the Year 1 children via zoom and learnt a lot about the Year 1 classrooms and learning.

Tapestry

We will be adding observations of whole class activities over the next few weeks. By Friday 23rd July, you will receive a notification to be able to download your child's Tapestry journal of the whole year. Please download as soon as you receive this as it only last a few weeks, and I'm sure you will like looking back at what your child has done in their first year of school.

Diary Dates;

9th July – Sports dress up day
12th and 13th – sports celebration including sponsored bubble run
16th July – Transition day
21st July – Last day of summer term!

The final two weeks;

The children have noticed the potatoes are looking ready to pick. Next week we will be learning more about potatoes and looking at the changes that have happened since we first planted them. The children will get to harvest them, and discuss what we could do with the potatoes. We have our sports celebration days next week, where the children will be competing in individual races and working as a team in the activity challenges. They will also be taking part in our sponsored bubble run, please hand in sponsor forms next week. The children will end the week, finding out whether they are a Panda or a Lion next year, and which adults they will have. During the final 3 days, the children will be reflecting on their time in reception and discussing their achievements this year.

Other bits

PE kits – Remember to come into school in PE kit on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th for our sport celebration days.

Phonic folders – Today is the last time we will add to the phonic folders this year. Please keep them safe over the summer holidays, as they will be needed for Year 1. We thought it is best that you keep them over the holidays to keep practicing the sounds and letter formations.

Reading books – Will be collected on Monday 12th July, along with the reading record book.

Have a restful weekend and a brilliant summer holiday!
The Reception team