

# Reception Newsletter 11.03.22

What a brilliant few weeks we have had! Important days such as World Book Day and International Women's Day have provided lots of enhancements to our learning. There is also plenty to look forward to such as Celebration day, Comic Relief, and the improving weather as we get further into Spring!



## Forest School

This week in forest school we have been exploring Spring. The children studied some daffodil bulbs, and then had the opportunity to plant their own cress seeds.

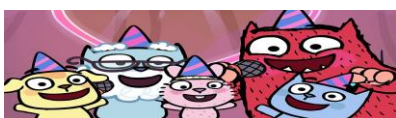


## Celebration Day Reminder

Don't forget Thursday 17th March is our Celebration Day in Early Years. This term the focus will be Maths. You are welcome to join us from 9.15-10.15am where we will be showing you how we teach maths. This is a chance for you to get some ideas to further support your child at home by seeing how maths can be explored in a fun and playful way.

## Comic Relief Reminder

Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> March is Comic Relief. In Reception we will be following this year's Early Years theme of: "Party with Love Monster". For this, the children can dress up in their favourite clothes or costume, and then take part in lots of fun party-style games in school. We will be accepting donations on the gate.





**Phonics** Please continue to read with your child every day.

In Rainbow and Sunshine Class, we have begun to learn the phase 3 sounds. We have learnt **oo** (as in moon), **oo** (as in book), **ar** and **ee** this week. In Moonbeam Class we have recapped the sounds **th**, **ch**, **ng** and **ch**.

Please encourage your child to practise the tricky words at the front of their reading diary to support them with their reading.

Next week the tricky words we will be recapping the words are

**Was my**

## Maths

This week in maths we read the story of 'Simon's Sock' and learnt about pairs. We used lots of physical objects like socks, toy animals and cubes to explore how numbers can be odd or even.

**Ideas to do at home:**

- Play a matching pairs game. This could be something you and your child create together.
- Pair up some socks. How many pairs are there? Are there any odd socks?



Next week we will finish our topic of the Billy Goats Gruff. We will be retelling the story with our own innovations. After this we will begin to learn about Spring, and the significance of Easter.



### Key vocabulary:

- Season
- Spring
- Easter
- Celebration
- Blossom

### Books to read:

- The tiny seed
- Stuck
- Poppy and the Blossoms
- And then it's Spring

### Ideas to do at home

- Can you go on a Spring walk? What signs of Spring can you see?
- Can you design an Easter egg pattern?
- Can you design a way to drop an egg without it cracking?

