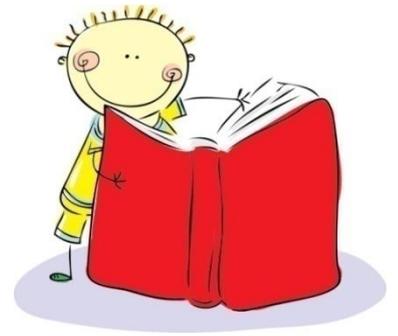


Reception Newsletter

Friday 21st April 2017

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and ate lots of chocolate! Thank you so much to the parents and children who looked after the chickens during the break, it is very much appreciated! I hope they were good for you and provided you with plenty of eggs.

Our new topic this term is Chicks: Incubation and Growth. The children are going to be discovering the different stages of growth which a fertilised chicken egg goes through before the chicks hatch. The children are so excited by our new topic and cannot wait for us to put our fertilised eggs in the incubator. We are hoping to 'set' the eggs next week.



In phonics this week the children have revised the phonemes already learnt and learnt the new phoneme 'ew' as in 'chew the stew.' We have also practised decoding sounds in words and blending them together before adding sound buttons.

In our maths sessions this week the children have been learning their number bonds to 10 and how to use a variety of coins to create different money totals. We have also practised counting in 2s and 10s.

We have focused on co-operating, collaborating and sharing ideas in our circle time session this week. The children were set a challenge which involved them using their team work and co-operating skills. They worked in small groups to invent a new type of animal and had to present their creation to the rest of the class. We had some fantastic creations! The children impressed me with their ability to work together and their ability to compromise with one another.

Now that lots of the children have turned five in Reception, I just wanted to remind you that they no longer receive free milk. Although you register them at the beginning of the year, as soon as they turn five they are automatically removed from the list. If your child has turned five already and you would like to pay for them to have milk you can do so by re-registering them on the link below and paying online. The Cool Milk Company then generate a list of milk drinkers for us in school. We are therefore only able to give milk to children on the list. If you have paid for your child to have milk and they are not receiving it please let me know.

<http://www.coolmilk.com/>

Now that the weather has improved we will be venturing outside for PE whenever possible, therefore please ensure your child has either named plimsolls or trainers in their PE kits. They may also need a jumper for the days when it is a bit chilly. Many of you have already provided these items. Many thanks. ☺

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dale