



Reception Summer First Half Term 2023 Newsletter

This half term our topic will be **Nature Detectives**

Within this the topics we will be Learning about:	
<p>The environment around us including common birds, plants and animals.</p> <p>Plants and what they need to grow.</p> <p>Farm animals and their lifecycles as well as products made from farm produce such as bread.</p> <p>The King's coronation.</p> <p>Landing on the moon.</p>	
Communication and Language	Talk about what they see around them. Name what you can see and hear. Use vocabulary to name and group things (daisies, daffodils - flowers, seagulls, pigeons - birds)
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Develop resilience and perseverance when things don't work the first time. Name feelings and know that different people experience different feelings. Think about the feelings and emotions of others. Know what qualities a leader needs to have. Build constructive and respectful relationships. Say what they are good at and what they need to get better at. Know what they need to do to keep healthy.
Physical Development	Draw different shaped lines with control. Hold pencils, pens, paint brushes etc with a tripod grip. Use a range of tools confidently, competently and safely. Use PE resources to play games eg throwing and catching.
Literacy	Use writing skills to create sentences that they and others can read. Check their own work. Use phonics skills, finger spaces, full stops and capital letters correctly.
Mathematics	Composition of number - addition, subtraction, doubling. Work with numbers to 20: Counting forward and back, recognising numbers, saying one more and one less. Say how many objects there are (up to 10) without having to count them.
Understanding of the World	Use and create simple maps. Name different places in the local area and around the school. Describe what they see and hear outside. Plant seeds and know how to look after plants.
Expressive Arts and Design	Know how to make bread and how it changes when it is cooked. Use different art techniques such as painting and drawing, cutting and sticking. Work creatively as a group.

Every day is a special day but particularly Special Days this Half Term will be:	
Don Sheppard charity day	Thursday 4 th May
Coronation Wear red, white and blue	Friday 5 th May
Sports Day and Picnic	Friday 26 th May