



Thank you all to the parents who came along to parents evening, we hope you found the conversations and learning packs helpful. If you were unable to make it for any reason, please speak to either Mrs Bamforth or Mrs Evans and we will arrange another time to meet.

In Literacy this week, we will begin our new text, 'Oliver's Vegetables. We will use role play to help us learn the story. We will be exploring some of the new language in the book, with a particular focus to the vegetables in the book. We will look at these different vegetables in our Literacy lessons, as well as our continuous provision.

In Maths this week, we will continue practising our counting skills up to 5, we will practice writing the number 1, 2 3, 4 and 5. We will also compare sizes and complete various different puzzles to help with our spatial awareness.

In RE, we will continue with our unit 'Lent - Jesus & His Father'. We will remind ourselves about the importance of saying sorry and when we can be helpful. We will also learn that God the Father is the father of Jesus the Son. We will also practice making the Sign of the Cross again. **With your child, ask them to show you how to make the Sign of the Cross.**

In Understanding the World, we will continue our new topic of 'Spring' and we will learn about the life cycle of a bean and grow our own beans to see what happens.

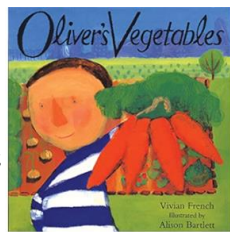
In Expressive Arts & Design, we will think about Mother's Day and enjoy making a small gift for our own mothers.

Focus words this week: vegetables, potatoes, Father, carrot, cabbage

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Oliver's Vegetables



Rhyme of the week

Mary had a little lamb

Mary had a little lamb,
It's fleece was white as snow.
And everywhere that Mary went
The lamb was sure to go.

Story Time

Reading books will be changed on a Monday. Please send your child's book bag into school each day with their planner and reading book. Please ensure the planner is signed to show that you have read with your child.
Thank you.

Maths Focus: Numbers to 5 and comparing sizes



Can you practice counting to 5?

Can you count 5 objects, pointing to each object as you count?

Can you compare the sizes of some of your cuddly toys?

Can you compare the heights of your family members?

Nursery Staffing Arrangements

The Nursery class is being taught by a Nursery Team of staff: Mrs Bamforth, Mrs Evans (Teacher) and Mrs Machin (Teaching Assistant).
If you have any concerns, please contact Mrs Hannett.

Home Readers

As you will have noticed, each of your children brought home a 'home reader' book. These are for you to read with your child and develop an enjoyment and excitement for reading.

You can change these books whenever you are ready too.

Morning parents: In the morning, when you drop your child off, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

Afternoon parents: At the end of the day, when you collect your child off, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

This week the children will:

- Continue to practice our counting daily, numbers up to 16, when we count the children in class.
- We will read the story 'Oliver's Vegetables'.
- We will learn to retell the story through actions and role play
- We will explore the different vegetables in the book.
- We will sequence the story using story sequencing cards.
- We will practice counting to 5, through nursery rhymes such as 'Five little men'.
- We will compare sizes.
- We will develop our spatial awareness with puzzles and jigsaws.
- Practice writing some pre-writing shapes and our names.
- We will learn about the life cycle of a bean.
- We will grow our own beans.
- We will make mother's day gifts.
- Practising using our manners, saying 'Yes please', and 'No thank you' during snack time.
- We will learn to use 1p to pay for our snack at snack time.
- Practising taking turns and sharing during our guided play.
- We will role play in a Garden Centre.
- We will learn about Lent.
- We will learn about the importance of saying sorry.
- We will learn that God the Father is the father of Jesus the Son.
- We will also continue to learn our daily prayers.

Important dates

Tuesday 5th March - New date for our visit (with the Reception class) to our local church, St Joseph's to meet Fr Craig and learn about Baptism. If any parents/grandparents or siblings would like to help us walk the children there and back, please speak to a member of staff. We will be leaving school at approximately 10.00am and will return no later than 11.15. If you normally attend Nursery in the afternoon, you can swap

Friday 8th March - World Book Day - children to come dressed in pyjamas for our bedtime story theme.

Friday 15th March - Farm on Wheels visiting school

Saturday 16th March - Mass at St Joseph's, Darlaston, 4pm. All welcome, please come and support the children who will help with the readings.

Tuesday 19th March - St Joseph's Feast Day

Thursday 21st March - One Life Music, whole school retreat

EASTER BREAK - Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April