



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 2nd May 2023

Our ducklings are in school and have hatched out successfully. What a wonderful experience! We will be continuing our topic of 'Habitats' this half term but also watching our ducklings grow and change. We will learn how to take care of them.

We will be starting a new book 'The Gruffalo'. We will be making our own story maps and rehearsing the story. We will be accessing lots of Gruffalo writing opportunities continuing to explore the story using our tuff tray.

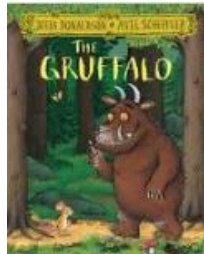
In RE we continue our topic of Easter. We will be thinking about the events of Easter Sunday and the resurrection of Jesus.

Focus words this week:

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

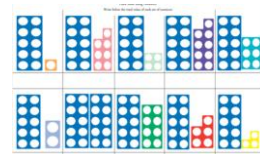
Focus Story:

The Gruffalo



Maths Focus:

Counting to 20, recognising teens numbers



Practise counting to and back from 20 recognising the numbers.

Children often reverse teens numbers at this stage so make sure to model them correctly.



Rhyme of the Week:

Lots of Minibeasts

(Sing to the tune of 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'.)

Ants, worms and bumblebees,
Bumblebees.
Ants, worms and bumblebees,
Bumblebees.
Oh, lots of min-i-beasts on plants and trees.
Ants, worms and bumblebees,
Bumblebees.

Snails, pretty butterflies,
Butterflies.
Snails, pretty butterflies,
Butterflies.
Oh, see them crawl or flying in the sky,
Snails, pretty butterflies,
Butterflies.

La-dy-birds and beetles,
And beetles.
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And beetles.
Oh, minibeasts can wriggle, fly and crawl.
La-dy-birds and beetles,
And beetles.

Story Time

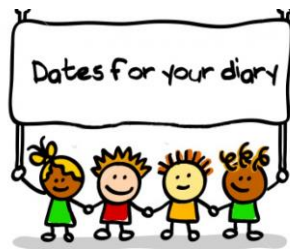
Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

1000 story books will be changed on Mondays this half term.



This week the children will:

- Learn more about the Easter story and Jesus' resurrection.
- Learn about the symbols and artefacts seen during Easter.
- Continue work on talk 4 writing book (The Gruffalo) and writing stories.
- Sort animals into their habitats and begin to think about their similarities and differences
- Create a habitat for insects outside on a large scale and add to it each week
- Play in our new role play area - investigating minibeasts!
- Be confident counting forwards and backwards to 20
- Know how to make teens numbers in different ways.
- Know about different types of habitat
- Explore our curiosity cube
- Writing labels, lists and information linked to our new topic
- Using our Gruffalo tuff tray to tell the story in their own words
- Take part in creating a May Procession banner
- Children will learn and take part in coronation activities on Friday



Thursday 4th May May Procession in school at 2pm

Friday 5th May King Charles III Coronation celebrations in school – come to school dressed in red, white & blue.

Monday 8th May BANK HOLIDAY – school closed

Friday 26th May Break up at 3.15pm for Half term