



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 20th March 2022

Another exciting week here in Reception. We will be watching our caterpillars grow and change and continuing to monitor our vegetables and plants. We have been so impressed to hear that children are using some of their new words at home with you too.

We will be continuing our work on growing by looking at life cycles and how animals including humans grow and change.

We will be starting a new story 'Handa's Surprise' this week and exploring different fruits and vegetables by using our senses.

In RE we will be starting our new topic of 'Holy Week' and learning about events leading up to Easter Sunday. Children will take part in role play activities.

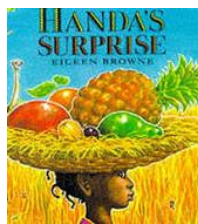
Don't forget to scan the QR codes for the phonics sounds your child needs to practise.

Focus words this week: Surprise, Chrysalis, Shape, Pattern, Tessellate

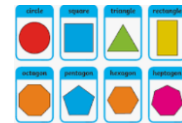
Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Handa's Surprise



Maths Focus:



We will be exploring 2D shapes. Take your child on a shape hunt and see if you can spot:

Circles, triangles, squares, rectangles, pentagons, hexagons or even an octagon.

Make pictures using shapes



Play the shape guessing game. Attach a picture of a shape on post it note on your child. Give them clues to help them to guess what shape it is. (such as – it is a shape with 4 straight sides etc)



Rhyme of the Week:

Spring Wind

*When the spring wind blows,
In her gruff and growly way,
She's saying keep your mittens on,
I'm blowing cold today.*

*But when the spring wind blows,
In her soft and gentle way,
She's saying take your jumpers
off,*

Story Time

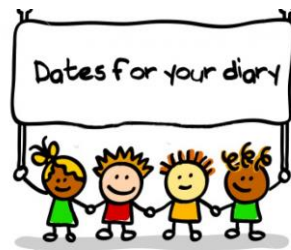
Reading books will be changed throughout the week.

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



This week the children will:

- Watching our caterpillars grow and change
- Think about animals that live on a farm and in other places.
- Learning about lifecycles
- Use the construction and small world toys to make a farm/ zoo using our previous experiences.
- Listening to the story Handa's Surprise and learning actions to retell the story.
- Tasting and describing different fruits.
- Writing some describing words.
- Watch our plants growing and changing inside and outside.
- Check on our cress!
- Look at different 2D shapes and how they fit into each other.
- Make pictures using 2D shapes.
- Making spring pictures.



Monday 21st March - Farm on Wheels are coming to visit us in EYFS!!

Friday 8th April - Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Diorama Competition .