



New Seeds Newsletter

Spring 2



Welcome back to another busy term learning lots of new things and having fun. We hope you had a lovely rest and made lots of new memories. Our topic for this term is The Gruffalo.

A quick overview of some of this terms objectives

English

Writing sentences using finger spaces. Letter formation using leading lines. Reading simple sentences, answer questions about what they have heard or seen. Speaking to a larger audience with developing confidence. Continuing a rhyming string.

Maths

Identifying odd and even numbers, one more and one less to 20. Simple addition and, as well as problem solving. Comparing height, weight and length linked to the Gruffalo. Recognise, create and describe patterns. Continuing to learn about 3D shapes, time and money.

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Taking account of others suggestions and opinions. Talking about our likes, dislikes and feelings linked to the Gruffalo. Awareness of boundaries set and expectations. Work as part of a team, understand and follow rules.

Things to remember

PE kits - PE days are Thursday and Friday. Please ensure your child has both indoor and outdoor kits, including trainers, along with spare socks and underwear.

Snacks - we do provide fruit at break times however, your child can bring in another snack. We do ask that these snacks are healthy ones and things like crisps and popcorn are kept for lunchtime.

Gruffalo WOW Day

On Monday 1st April we are having a wow day where we are going to go exploring to find our very own Gruffalo.

We will be going on a walk around the village following clues to see if we can find him!

Ways that you can help!

Reading

Reading with your child at least twice a week will develop their confidence and also reading skills. Your child brings home a reading book at an appropriate level for their reading ability. Encourage your child to read simple words and to use their phonic knowledge to read new words and make plausible attempts at more complex words. Also, encourage your child to answer questions about the book that they have read. Going through your child's red words with them enables them to develop their reading skills and vocabulary.

Writing

Encouraging your child to write in fun ways for example writing a shopping list, writing birthday cards, using chalks, paint and sand to write letters and words.

Fun with Maths

Recognising numbers and shapes in the environment when you are out and about. Learning the days of the week and months of the year through looking at the calendar or singing songs. Learn to tell time and using money in fun ways.

Developing independence

Encouraging your child to get themselves dressed including putting on their shoes and zipping up their coats as well as taking responsibility for their book bag all helps your child develop independence. Taking care of their own personal hygiene is another element of developing independence. For example getting a tissue to wipe their nose, remembering to flush the chain and wash their hands after toileting.

Thank you from the Reception Team.

