



Nursery News



Newsletter week ending Friday 6th May 2022



Thank You Bunnies



Rachel from Bury Hospice wishes to pass on a BIG thank you for the money our EYFS children raised with their Easter Bunny Hop. She is coming into School towards the end of June to give a personal thank you and little treat to the children. To date, we have raised £243 which is absolutely great! Should you have not yet donated and wish to do so, please go to our Just Giving page for this. If we could surprise Rachel with £300, that would be magnificent.

When the firefighters came to visit us ...



Wow, what a great time we had yesterday learning about these firefighters' job, looking inside the fire engine and using their equipment. Huge thank you to all five of them!

Non-Fiction



We enjoy both fiction and non-fiction in Nursery. One of our new non-fiction texts this week, taught us more about how and what crops need to grow. We chatted about all the facts in the book and what we knew from reading it, with lots of superb discussion and questioning. We know we also use our class computer to find out and learn new things. **Why not** share a non-fiction text at home and gather all the facts! Perhaps, your child would like you to jot some down and bring in for us to share or send via Tapestry.



Our Read Write Inc, Team have focused on Set 1 sound **s**,

can you name six items which start with s?



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In our dedicated number sessions this week, some of us have played games with numbers zero to 10, seeing how many and how quickly we can recognise these numbers. As we practise, we are reading more and more and getting quicker and quicker. Number Dog is very impressed! Others, have been introduced to a 'Ten Frame', a great resource for developing number concepts, strategies and language. We played a game with a partner – together filling the Ten Frame with ten cubes, then as Buddy 1 had their eyes closed, Buddy 2 removed and hid some cubes so on opening their eyes Buddy 1 had to say how many cubes remained on the frame. Buddies then swapped roles and took turns.



Shape of the week is a 3D shape: **a cuboid**. Lots of building this week with wooden cuboids of all sizes! Again, we estimated but this time making a sensible guess as to how many Jenga Blocks tall the model dinosaur was.

Why not go on a cuboid hunt!

Flipper Flappers with Squiggle



Lots of activities in Nursery support our children's gross and fine motor skills, from lifting and carrying large equipment to picking up tiny objects with tweezers. We enjoy time with 'Squiggle' who has us up and moving energetically by 9.30 each morning! 'Squiggle' is an EYFS early writing programme with impacting progressive exercises ensuring children's writing is developmental and age appropriate. Our 'Wiggle me into Squiggle' is for our earliest writers, it's movement and messy play based, using specific movement to assist gross motor development.



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May is the month of Mary,
Our Lady, Our Mother in Heaven



Throughout May, we remember, talk and learn more about Mary. This week, we have thought of Mary as a mother and compared her with our mummies, realising the many similarities, with her looking after Jesus as our mums look after us. Each morning, the Star of the Day will lead our prayers with and through Mary, who always listens to our prayers. Thank you for all the prayer cards sent in so far - beautiful.



A big hello and warm welcome to
Charlie
and his family
who joined St. Joseph's and
our Nursery Family this week.



Important Dates and Useful Information:

PE with Mr Ramsbottom - WEDNESDAYS

Children may come to school in joggers/leggings and trainers on Wednesdays.

Challenge: Practise your hopping! Can you hop five times on one foot and then the other? Keep practising! How many hops can you do on each foot?

Sing and hop, jump and skip along to the song "Hop Little Bunnies!"



Please NOTE, we do not have Music with Mrs Hill this half term.

Assembly (EYFS & KS1) – MONDAYS

Coming up:

- ✦ Wednesday 18th May – Film Night (details to follow nearer time)
- ✦ W/C Monday 23rd May – Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations
- ✦ Wednesday 25th May – close for Half Term
- ✦ Monday 6th June – Summer 2nd Half Term begins

This Week's PE Star ...



Week's Golden Child ...



Transition to Reception – congratulations to all our children who got their places for Reception!
Save the date!!!! Starting Reception at St. Joseph's Evening on 21st June at 7pm [details nearer time].

