



Reception Class Newsletter

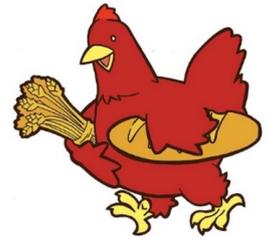
Spring Term 2: Mon 22 Feb - Fri 26 March



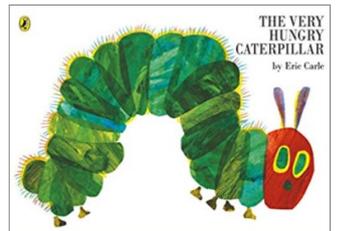
Dear Parents & Carers

We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school, we have missed them lots. We can't wait for the rest of half term and hopefully the warmer weather that comes with it after lots of rain and snow!

Our topic this half term is '**Does everything grow?**'. Whilst the children have been at home they have been learning about 'The Little Red Hen' story where the children have been retelling the story through story boards and writing instructions to make their own bread like The Little Red Hen. They will have learnt all about animals on the farm, what they give us and their babies. In maths, the children have learnt about money and recapped addition at home.



As the children return to school we will be looking at how plants grow and the process of pollination. The children will have an opportunity to grow their own sunflower seed. Leading on from this we will begin to look at the different mini beasts that help plants to grow and also those creepy crawlies that live in our garden, looking at the text 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. Reception will be inviting some creatures into our classroom with the arrival of caterpillars. The children will be able to watch how a caterpillar changes into a butterfly in front of their eyes. For the rest of half term in maths the children will recap halving and sharing, measuring and doubling.



To celebrate the wonderful mini beasts of the world, we will be having a '**Big Bug Ball**' on **Thursday 18th March** – the children can come to school dressed up as a bug of their choice. We welcome home made outfits so please don't feel pressured to buy a new outfit. We also have spare outfits at school children can borrow, so any issues just let me know!

The final week of this half term will see us preparing for Easter, as we will take part in Easter Week. Along with Easter cards and Easter songs, we look forward to learning about the Easter story.

Reminders:

- **Reading books are changed by house colour.** Please ensure books are in their bags on their house colour day. **Red House** = Monday, **Orange House** = Tuesday, **Yellow House** = Wednesday, **Green House** = Thursday, **Blue House** = Friday.
- **PE days have changed to a Tuesday and a Friday.** Friday sessions will take place outdoors. Please put some outdoor P.E. kit in their bag (joggers, jumper, trainers) to keep them warm during these sessions.
- **Please continue to practise** tricky words, sounds and number digits 1-20 (these will be sent home this half term along with phase 3 sounds and tricky words).
- We love hearing about your children's learning at home, we will be sending **WOW cards** home to be completed when your child has a WOW moment. E.g. reads a book independently, rides their bike.



Thank you for your continued support; I look forward to catching up with you all at parents evening.

Miss Goodison and the Reception team