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What we are Learning in Reception this Half Term

Lent Term 2 2024

Title: Life on planet Earth	Key Vocabulary
 Literacy Read and write simple facts Retell a story with increasing detail. Our focus text is 'Aliens Love Underpants' by Claire Freedman Write simple sentences to describe Earth 	Fiction Non-fiction
 Maths Know number bonds to 5 eg 3+2=5 and begin to know bonds to 10 eg 6+4=10 Count to over 50 or more by rote Subitise to 5 and above Combining 2D and 3D shapes 	Number bond Subitise Part,part whole Curved,straight, 2D and 3D shapes
 RE Gathering - The joy of gathering together to enjoy Mass Growing - Lent: a time to grow in love to be more like Jesus and look forward to Easter 	Mass Welcome Lent
PE Dance - Linking a combination of movements and poses to compose a simple dance	Dance Pose
 Understanding the world – Talk about the signs of Spring and changing Seasons A walk around Hyson Green, what would an alien think? To explore different materials and magnetism To make simple maps of Hyson Green and our school 	Spring Earth Planets Hyson Green Magnet
 PSED - RSHE Feeling poorly - finding out about medicines and how to keep safe around them My body, My Rules-introducing the children to the idea of bodily privacy and the importance of talking to their 'special people' if anything is bothering them 	Medicine Safe/Unsafe Body Special people
 Music Rhythm exploration using body percussion and percussion instruments. Be inspired by Louis Armstrong's 'What a Wonderful World' 	Rhythm Loud/quiet Stop/go Drawing Shapes Joining

Art

- Collage- Look at the work of Paul Klee and recreate his picture 'Moonrise' using 2D shapes
- Craft and Design Making 3D rockets



Year Reception Diary Dates	
Tuesday 27 th February	School closed
Monday 11 th March	Duckling eggs arrive in Early Years!
Thursday 21 st March	Easter Bonnet Parade 10.45 am and 2.30 pm (tbc)
Thursday 28 th March	School Closed for Easter

Reading

It is important that your child reads at home for **5-10 minutes every night**. Please write in the reading dairy when you have listened to your child read. The more children practise reading at home the faster they will progress. Children will bring home a 'Big Cat' reading book every Wednesday after getting familiar with it with Mrs Harrison. For the reading system to work, it is crucial that the children then read with parents at home and be able to read the book fluently.

Reception Expectations for Phonics this Half Term:

- Read, write and apply digraphs and trigraphs
- Form letters correctly and with good control over size.
- Read and write sentences and begin to use full stops and capital letters
- Read 'Tricky words' automatically.
- Hold a pencil correctly.

Please work with your child on the weekly phonic homework. This will consolidate work done in school.



Easter Bonnet Parade

Parents are invited to join our Foundation Easter Bonnet Parade to celebrate Easter and to welcome the beginning of Spring. Please make your Easter Bonnet at home (with your child) and bring it into school on **Wednesday 20th March** ready for the Parade on Thursday. It can be as simple or creative as you wish.