



Friday 22nd March 2019.

Dear Parents,

Animal Life Cycles



This week, we have continued to follow our children's interest on learning about animal life cycles. The children have thoroughly enjoyed creating frog life cycle plates using mixed media and materials and observing the tadpoles in our investigation area. During the week we shared the 'Oi Frog' story by Kes Gray, which really inspired the children to write amazing sentences and design their own story booklets. At the beginning of the week, the children



created an observational drawing of daffodils and learnt how to use water colour pencils. We are so impressed at their designs and attention to detail. Next week, we will be enhancing our work using a variety of techniques such as pastels, felt tips and colouring pencils. In our PE session, we focussed on jumping then worked effectively with their talking partner to find out how far they could jump.



Literacy

In Literacy, we are concentrating on reading and spelling all of our Action words correctly. In Read Write Inc. Phonics, the children are striving to develop their fluency and accuracy. The children have created amazing booklets about frogs and books that they love, utilising their phonic knowledge. Please support your child to read their book or sound blending book as often as possible and complete the work sheet in the blue Action Word book. Folders should be brought to School every day and the homework book returned every Wednesday.

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Maths

In Maths, we are learning to order and measure length so that Rosie the Chick can find the biggest carrot in the farm. The children have also been measuring and comparing their own heights to find out who is the tallest. The children thought it would be a great idea to measure each other with carrots and measure objects such as pencils and books with Brussel sprouts! The children enjoyed walking on stilts outside and then comparing their height with others.



Donations

Please would you kindly collect washed bottle/jar/milk tops, tin cans as well as pringle/stackers tubes (with lids) and water/pop plastic bottles for a recycling project during our forthcoming 'Jerry Fest' week. We are hoping to create our own musical instruments such as drums and shakers and use these to perform on stage at the Jerry Fest. Please bring any donations to Reception class by Friday 29th March 2019.



Next Week

Next Tuesday 26th March 2019, Adam and Elizabeth from Eden's Forest project will be working with our children. The children will be learning outside all day on our life cycle theme and it will involve lots of practical activities including a story around the camp fire. Please dress your child in clothes suitable for the weather that day and ensure they have a warm coat and trainers. They do not need to bring their School uniform.



Have a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Burrows, Mrs Sellars, Mrs Ward, Mrs Smith and Mrs Rex

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