

Year 1 Newsletter 21.05.21

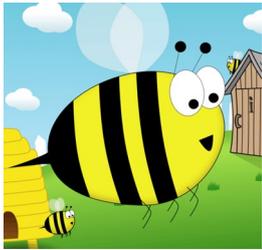


As we approach the end of this half term we are so impressed with how hard the children have worked. This half term has seen lots of opportunities for team work, turn taking and sharing. These are important skills for life and we will continue to support the children with these during the remainder of their time in year 1.



Year 1 Reading Challenge and Spellings

A huge well done to all the children who have managed to complete their reading challenge over the last 2 weeks and earned themselves a golden ticket. There is lots of excitement on a Friday afternoon when we choose 2 golden tickets from the box to see which children are going to be crowned 'bosses of the week'. Just a reminder, the children need to read at least 3 times at home during the week and have it signed in their purple reading record to complete their challenge.



We have completed our spellings for this half term but the children can still access Edshed to practise applying their sounds to spell a variety of words.

Curriculum

In English, we showed off our acting skills as we retold the story of 'Tortoise's Dream'. We have also been enjoying the story 'The Tiger Child' this week which is set in India. In these stories we have been looking for the clues such as animals, clothes, houses and language used that tell us the story is set in a different culture.



We have become shape experts as we explored 2D and 3D shapes. We have learned to describe shapes using special mathematical language like faces, edges and vertices. We have also been learning to tell the time to the hour and half hour and it would be great for the children to continue practising this at home. It is particularly useful for them to look at lots of different clock faces too.

In computing this half term we have been creating digital sound by exploring different websites and programs such as 2Simple. The children have experimented with layering different instruments, creating simple rhythms and changing the tempo of their compositions.

Duckling Project

There was much excitement last week as the eggs pipped and we eagerly awaited the arrival of the ducklings. The children checked them regularly and were very excited to be able to watch the arrival of 3 ducklings. The children understand the need to be calm and quiet around the ducklings and watch with fascination as they drink, feed and explore their surroundings. As ducklings grow very quickly we said 'goodbye' to them this week so that they could head to their new home in the countryside. We look forward to updates and photographs to see how they grow and change over the next few weeks.



Dates for your Diary

Friday 28th May - Teacher training day and beginning of May half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 7th June - children return to school