

# SUNNY JULY 2020

LITTLE ACORNS STOGURSEY PRESCHOOL



## JULY IS HERE....

It has been lovely to welcome some of the children back to preschool where they have settled with confidence and lots of wonderful energy. Gloria Touchin very kindly donated lots of sunflower seedlings which we were able to plant in our small garden, with lots of plants left over to be able to give one to each child to take home. This was a great opportunity to explore new life and the life cycle of a sunflower, from seed to flower to seed again, we used the book titled Sunflower House by Eve Bunting.



This was a fun way to support many areas of learning from understanding the world as we talked about changes and growing to expressive arts and design where we explored mixing colours and noticing how blue and yellow makes green, lots of

mathematical language continues to develop whilst we watch our sunflowers grow.

### What is the plan for July?

**The weather continues to be kind to us with only a few days of rain, but as they say 'there is no such thing as bad weather just bad clothing' Alfred Wainright (1973) On that note, we will continue to spend every opportunity outside, in the garden, in the school field and going for walks. Please continue to put the sun cream and hats in the bag or raincoats if the weather looks a little cloudy**

**Thank you**



### Tapestry Online Learning Journal

We have now settled back into a routine, and some of our children have settled into preschool. As you know, we follow their interests on a daily basis but it is time to now start sharing their learning with you. You should all have log in details to tapestry, if not please let me know and I can give them to you. Lianne (who is the whizz on this system) and myself will start sharing group observations and individual observations of your child on a weekly basis. They are always busy in their play and through their play they will learn – you will see the areas of learning on tapestry but if you have any questions please let us know. Do share your comments on tapestry it is always lovely to read your feedback.



We are so lucky to be surrounded by open fields just a short stroll away, and we love going for a walk on a sunny (or wet) afternoon, taking with us a little picnic to stop and chat about the lady birds or busy bees (which they have a particular interest in) and any type of bug will always be a stopping point, in this picture we looked at the corn growing in the field. 'look' as they pointed to the cracks in the dry mud which also linked to a very interesting fun fact from a lunch box card.....did you know that ants will climb on each other to make bridges!!!! We all learn something every day!!

**Best Book of the Month voted by the children's enthusiasm is..... Supertato by Sue Hendra.**

The children absolutely loved this book, they often asked for it for story time and that led to some wonderful discussions about healthy eating, imaginative games of super heroes and a great activity where they all made their own super hero veg!!

**You may have noticed some evil peas lurking in the notices within this newsletter maybe your child can spot them.**



**SLIPPERS.....**

To promote a 'home from home' environment we would like to



introduce slippers when the children are indoors – this will also apply to us adults! From September if you could leave a pair of slippers in the setting just like the wellies, that would be great. Research has found that wearing slippers in a school environment will have a positive effect so let's try it in our preschool setting. As children will often take their shoes off when in the nursery it might be safer to have something on their feet rather than nothing. Plus – it is cleaner, we don't wear shoes at home in the house all day, do we?