

Reception Newsletter – Summer



Welcome back to another term of exciting learning in EYFS. We hope you all had a lovely Easter and didn't eat too much chocolate!

Last Term

The children worked so hard on their last enquiry – How can we help others? Here are some photos of their amazing work:



We cannot wait to launch our new Enquiry 'Is nature beautiful?'. On Monday 13th April the children can come to school dressed as nature rangers/ explorers.

Diary Dates for this term

Monday 13th April – Return to school/ new enquiry launch day/ Visit to Sutton Lawn

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 19th May – Sutton Library visit

Wednesday 20th May – Stay and Play

25th May – 29th May – Half Term

Monday 1st June – Bug hunt at Dalestorth School

Wednesday 24th June – EYFS Sports Day

Monday 13th July – Enquiry showcase/ Community litter pick

Wednesday 15th July – Stay and Play session

Wednesday 22nd July – EYFS Celebration

Friday 24th July – Last day of school

Transition Days – TBC

Every Tuesday 8.30 – 8.45 am – Reading for pleasure in the Reception classroom, unless otherwise stated.

Enquiry

This term's enquiry is an Art theme. Throughout our enquiry sessions this term we are going to be answering the question, **"Is nature beautiful?"** Each week we will be building up our knowledge to answer our main question.

This term we will be looking at:

Week 1 - We will explore nature as part of our Enquiry launch day.

Week 2 - We will learn about the primary colours - red, blue and yellow, learning how to colour mix and how to make a colour lighter and darker.

Week 3 - We will learn how to create different effects using crayons. We will experiment with leaf rubbings. We will also be creating some observation drawings.

Week 4 - We will be learning the names of the four seasons and finding out how they are all different.

Week 5 - We will be looking at the work of a famous artist - David Hockney and will recreate his art work 'The arrival of spring.'

Week 6 - We will be looking how actions affect the environment and will explore recycling. We will also learn how to care for a plant. We will plant Sunflower seeds and learn that they need water and sunlight to grow.

Week 7 - We will be going on a bug hunt and comparing different minibeasts by criteria.

Week 8 - We will be exploring woodland animals. We will be comparing animal features and their habitats.

Week 9 - We will learn about the lifecycle of an animal and will explore how owls change.

Week 10 and 11 - We will design and make a moving animal in DT.

We will also be visiting Sutton Library again to develop our love of books.



PE



Reception have PE on **Thursdays**. Children should come to school in their PE kit and can stay in it all day. This term we are doing Team Games.



Reading

It is essential that pupils are encouraged to read at home to develop their fluency, vocabulary and it will open many more doors to their learning. The children will bring home a decodable reading book for them to read to you at home. Please remember to write in their reading diaries each time you read together, as each time they read three or more times a week, they get a raffle ticket entered into a prize draw each week.



Each child has a login for the Numbots app. This is a fun way for children to develop their number sense.

Please ensure your child has their name in all their belongings to prevent them being lost.

Homework

On Dojo you have access to our home learning menus. This is a great and fun way of further supporting your child's learning at home. Don't forget to pick and choose the activities and upload your evidence to Dojo to gain Dojo points. These can be done at any point up until the end of the term.

