



Reception Newsletter

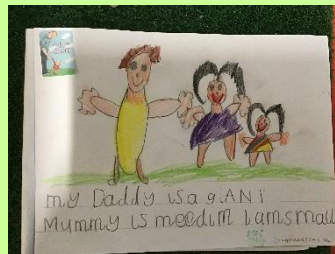


Friday 23rd February 2024

I hope you all had an enjoyable half term. The children returned happily on Monday and have been enjoying our new topic of Growing.

What have we been up to?

We read the story *My Daddy is a Giant*. We talked about the giants in our families and drew beautiful pictures.



In maths we have been learning about length and height. We have been measuring and making comparisons using non-standard objects...



Our mud kitchen is now fully operational! We are absolutely thrilled with the finished project and wanted to say a huge thank you for all the little resources that have been kindly donated. We are still in need of a small water butt or camping water container (with a tap) so the children can access water for their wonderful muddy concoctions. Please let us know if you have anything that we could put to good use.



Phonics

We have continued to read longer words by 'chunking' which means to break up and read it one part (chunk) at a time, to avoid being overwhelmed and to ease the process of blending. We have been practising our phase 2 and 3 tricky words.

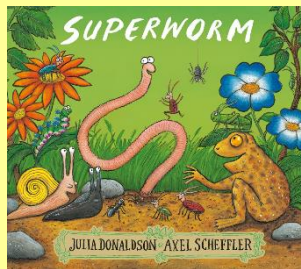
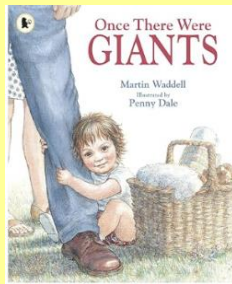
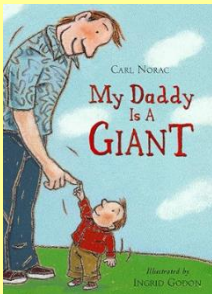


Maths homework

To extend the children's learning about length, we would like the children (with your help) to complete a little maths challenge over the weekend. We would like the children to draw around one foot (not shoe) of each family member and write the name of the person. Please use lots of lovely vocabulary when completing this task together; *biggest, smallest, longer, shorter etc.* Can you please cut out, label and return all feet to school on Monday using the paper clip provided. Instructions / resources will come home with your child today.

Recommended Books and Rhymes

(Some of the books and rhymes we have been enjoying this week)



Please click this link for all our nursery rhyme videos – the children absolutely love them!
[For parents | Letters and Sounds \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](http://littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)

BREAKING NEWS!!

On Friday we received a letter from Mother Hen, asking if we would be able to look after her chicks in our classroom. On Monday the farmer will arrive with 10 eggs, secured in an incubator. We will look after the eggs and expect the arrival of our first chicks within 48 hours. Once the chicks have all hatched we will feed and care for them and after a few days, the children will be able to hold the chicks.

Please see separate attached letter regarding this project as I will need your permission before your child handles the chicks.

Have a lovely weekend!



