



# Reception Newsletter



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Welcome back everyone.

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. It was lovely to welcome the children back this week – we can't believe how much some of them have grown!

Thank you so much for all the cards and gifts at the end of last term – the diet definitely starts next week!

## What have we been up to?

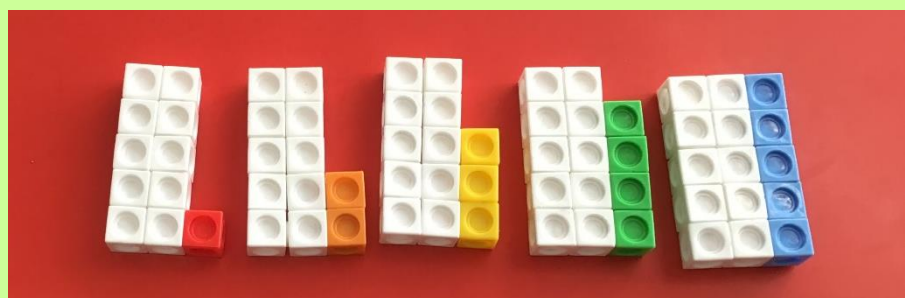
This week we have been learning about spring and the seasons. We looked for signs of spring around our school and created beautiful blossom trees.



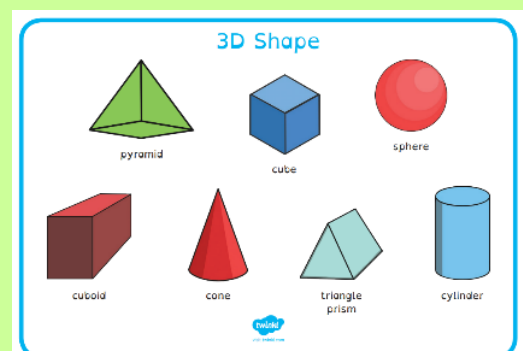
In maths we have been learning about building numbers beyond 10.

What number has Amir built?

I can see 13



We have also been learning to recognise, name and identify properties of 3D shapes. We are sending home a 3D shape poster for reference. Please help your child to look for 3D shapes around the home.



## Phonics

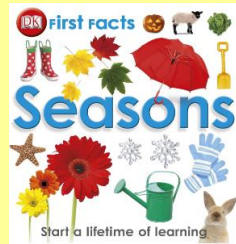
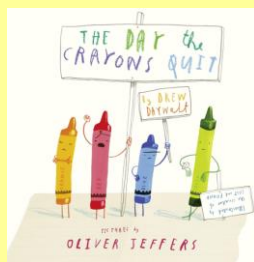
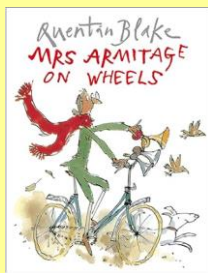
We have moved on to Phase 4 in phonics. Please continue to practise all phase 2 and 3 sounds as the children need to have an automatic recall of all of these sounds before the end of Reception. Please remember, we are aiming for a recall of the sounds without picture clues. I can highly recommend the Little Wandle at home flashcards phase 2 and 3. These are available from Amazon (£6.99)

Please click the following link for access to games to play with these flashcards at home to support your child with phonics.

[Little Wandle at Home – Collins](#)

## 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 \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](#)

## What will we be learning next?

Our main topic this term is minibcasts. Next week we will be reading the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We will look at life cycles as well as metamorphosis. In Maths we will continue to look at 3D shape and building numbers beyond 10. In RE we will learn about the Ascension. We will draw and paint pictures of what we think heaven is like.