

EYFS Newsletter

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Nursery

A Term of Discovery and Dino-Mites!

It has been a wonderful start to the year in Nursery, filled with "roaring" success and curious mind!

This term, our mini-mathematicians have been diving into the world of numbers, patterns, and 3D shapes, practicing their counting to 20 and working hard on number formation.

Our imaginations took a trip back in time as we explored the world of dinosaurs; linked to our TTS book; where the children became experts at naming, drawing, and labeling their favorite prehistoric friends.

Alongside these adventures, we celebrated Chinese New Year by crafting colorful dragons and had a good time making pancakes for Pancake Day.

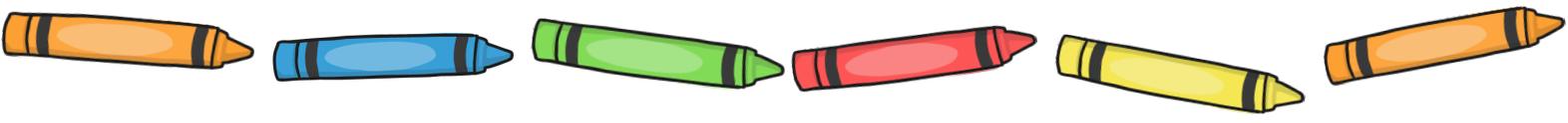
In our phonics and writing sessions, the children are mastering their Set 1 sounds using the Read Write Inc. scheme and are beginning to orally blend using magnetic boards.

We have also focused heavily on fine motor skills to support a steady pencil grip, which the children are putting to great use while practicing writing their names.

It has been lovely to see such strong friendships blossoming, especially during imaginative role-play in the construction area and our fun "Fred Games" during snack time.

Following our exciting visit from the Fire Brigade, we are now looking forward to our "New Life" topic in Spring 2, which will include a visit to Mudchute Farm and some very special fluffy guests; our school ducklings!





Reception

A ROARING Success!

It has been a spectacular start to the year in Reception, where our young explorers have truly stepped back in time!

Our imaginations took a trip to the Mesozoic era as we delved into the world of Dinosaurs. The children became mini-palaeontologists, mastering the art of describing and comparing the features of their favourite prehistoric giants. We took our learning a step further by investigating fossils; the children were fascinated to learn how they are formed and put their skills to the test by constructing dinosaur skeletons using pasta. This topic has been a "roaring" success, helping the children expand their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of the world.



Alongside these adventures, we had a good time celebrating Pancake Day, where the children enjoyed making (and tasting!) their own delicious treats.



In our Phonics and Writing sessions, the progress has been wonderful to see. The children are working hard on their oral blending and are growing in confidence when reading CVC words. Using magnetic boards to secure their Set 1 sounds, they are now developing early spelling skills and moving on to writing short sentences. We are particularly proud of how they are incorporating adjectives for detail and focusing on their "writing non-negotiables": finger spaces and correct punctuation.

It is a joy to see such confidence blooming in their learning and play. We are so proud of all their hard work this half term!

