



TOWN CLOSE SCHOOL

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Reception Curriculum information

Week Beginning: 14th May 2018

Dear Parents

On Tuesday we enjoyed a super assembly performance by Willow class in which we learnt all about the World Cup! After our hymn practice on Thursday morning, we enjoyed our celebratory Friday assembly before beginning our Royal Wedding celebrations. It was lovely to see so many children dressed up as part of our celebrations and we would like to thank parents for organising such splendid outfits!

Literacy

We were very excited to see the last butterflies emerge from their chrysalides this week! We wrote another page of our butterfly diary, recording the transformation. We also practised the speed sounds and red words in our classes.

Maths

In maths, the children practised their number recognition and formation. They ordered an array of numbers to 20 and beyond. Over the weekend you might like to practise writing numbers to 20 and playing a range of board games that involve trickier number e.g. snakes and ladders.

Topic

All of the children have visited the butterfly lab this week, entering in pairs with their teacher. The children have all had the chance to hold a butterfly and encounter them within a close proximity.

School Trip and Royal Wedding

On Wednesday, we were lucky enough to visit Holkham Hall's walled garden. The children took part in a range of sensory activities exploring the fruit and vegetable patch, rose garden and small orchard which is home to chickens and bees. Throughout the day, the children looked for signs of summer using all of their five senses, made a scented potion, went on a scavenger hunt and discovered what plants need to grow. All of the children have been given a green bean to look after in school and we are all looking forward to seeing these grow over the forthcoming weeks.

On Friday, we rounded off the week by celebrating the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. The children looked fantastic in their wedding attire and we enjoyed decorating Royal biscuits in the morning and taking part in a scavenger hunt around the woods. We also sang a range of songs with Miss Skinner and had a Royal Celebration on the lawn with the rest of the Pre Prep in the afternoon.

Over the weekend, you might like to:

- Recite and record numbers to 20 and beyond.
- Look for signs of summer in your local area.
- Write a diary page about your weekend
- Recite and record the red words.

This week Special Books will remain in school and will be sent home next Thursday.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 24th May: End of the first half of term

Friday 25th May: School closed – INSET staff training day

Thursday 21st June – 2.15pm - 3.15 pm: Reception Sports Day on the front lawn

Wednesday 27th June: School closed – Norfolk Show day

We hope you have a lovely, restful weekend with your children.

With our best wishes from Mrs Alexandre, Miss Knightly, Mrs Laing and Mrs Harries

Melanie Harries