



# TOWN CLOSE SCHOOL

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## Reception Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents

Reverend Patrick came to Pre Prep this week to lead an assembly which included the story of Feeding the 5000! The children had remembered a lot about who Rev'd. Patrick was, which church he looked after and what a vicar is! In Bird Family meetings, the main focus was on celebrations.

The excitement continues to grow as we watch the changes taking place in the Butterfly Lab. The hundreds of little blue eggs seem to have disappeared and if we look very carefully with a magnifying glass we can see tiny little caterpillars. As we could not find any eggs on the thistle plants in our 'out of lab' garden, we have swapped one of the plants in the lab which had eggs on it, with one outside that doesn't have eggs. This will help us to determine the suitability of our lab in comparison to outside.

### **Literacy**

The children have been developing their phonic and sentence writing skills in literacy lessons. We have continued to enjoy learning about life under the sea. This week we have focused on non-fiction books and we have learnt many interesting facts about the mysterious deep sea world. Children looked up information about sea creatures and some have made their own non-fiction sea creature books or made Top Trump style posters about a chosen sea creature. We have talked about our daddies in preparation for Father's Day and all the children have written something to their daddy. If you do anything special to celebrate the day with your child, you may like to write something about it in their Special Book.

### **Maths**

Our focus this week has been measuring, and the children have really enjoyed measuring all sorts of things including fresh fish, blocks, the distance an aeroplane flies and more. We have linked measuring to the size of underwater creatures; we were amazed to learn that a blue whale would cover the length of our playground.

Over the weekend you may like to measure things in your homes. This could be with a tape measure or using non-standard units such as hands or feet.

### **Games**

We have continued to practise a variety of races for our sports afternoon next week and we look forward to welcoming you to the event next Thursday.

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June – 4.30 - 7.30 pm:** Reception Parents' Evening to discuss EYFS profile results

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June – 2.15pm - 3.15 pm:** Reception Sports Day on the front lawn

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June:** 'The Town Close Charity Triathlon'

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June – 3.30pm - 4.30pm:** 'My First Picture' Art Exhibition in the Pre Prep Hall and Entrance Foyer (tea and cake available while you browse)

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> 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*