



TOWN CLOSE SCHOOL

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Reception Curriculum Information

Week beginning: Monday 25th March 2019

Dear Parents

This week, we enjoyed watching a fantastic assembly performed by Silver Birch class, all about significant people, including our mothers! We also enjoyed a whole school hymn practice on Thursday morning and a whole school assembly, led by Mr Bevington, this morning about the “special powers” we have to help our mothers and those who care for us.

Departing from our exciting topic about Liquids, we kicked off our summer topic with a most spectacular performance of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. We were impressed with the children’s behaviour, cooperation and enthusiasm as they worked together to perform an amazing adaptation of Eric Carle’s well known story. This was quite a feat for four and five year olds, as we are sure you will agree.

Literacy

We have been thinking about significant people in our lives, in particular our mummies as we look forward to celebrating Mother’s Day this weekend. The children have written messages in their handmade cards reflecting their special thoughts about loved ones. In literacy groups, the children continued to extend their phonetic knowledge and they all read to their teachers individually or in groups.

Maths

We have been exploring clocks and different times of the day. We were most impressed by the children’s existing knowledge of time. We used the hours of the clock to sequence the school day. The children were challenged to make their own clocks. They combined numeric skills with a bit of design and technology as we worked out how to make the hands rotate around our elaborately decorated clocks.

Games

We enjoyed a carousel of games this week; a member of the Prep Department, Miss Goddard, led one of the activities, musical movement. Other activities included hurdling, throwing and catching, and riding bikes and trikes.

Over the weekend

You may like to make a diary of your weekend. What time did you get up? What time did you have breakfast? What did you do at what time? When did you have a bedtime story and go to sleep? We loved that some children told us they went to bed at 6pm whilst

others stay up until well past midnight! You could, if you wish, encourage your child to record their ideas in writing or by using photos or drawings.

Special books

We are keeping the special books this weekend, but they will be in your child's bags on the last day of term. We are sure you will look forward to seeing their hard work then. We welcome contributions to your child's special books; this could be news, photos, drawings or writing.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 19th June – 2.00 pm: Reception Sports Day on the front lawn

Wednesday 26th June: Royal Norfolk Show day

Tuesday 9th July: Moving up day for Reception

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your children.

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

Melanie Harries