



Reception Curriculum Information

Week beginning: Monday 10th June 2019

Dear Parents

We began the week by reading the story '*The Train Ride*' by June Crebbin. The children enjoyed sharing their knowledge on the topic and talking about what types of trains we might see at Bressingham. The children were particularly interested in the postal train, so we decided to listen to Auden's Poem 'The Night Train' and in our classes we thought carefully about the journey of a letter and how it gets to its destination. The children drew detailed drawings of the journey of a letter and, after our visit to Bressingham, each child wrote a postcard about the trip. We are looking forward to posting our work home next week.

In literacy, the children read and wrote 45 high frequency words and continued to practise reading and writing words containing a range of two/three lettered speed sounds. We were particularly impressed by the children's written work on their postcards and we hope you enjoy receiving them in the post.

In maths, the children practised their number counting by identifying and writing the missing numbers in a sequence. They also practised making and writing number bonds to 10 using train carriages for support.

Other lessons and activities

On Wednesday we visited Bressingham Steam Museum; we braved the weather and had a fantastic day. Throughout the day, the children saw how locomotives have developed over the past century. They saw how royalty travelled in the past, how mail was sorted on the move and the sheer scale of a standard gauge steam locomotive. A highlight was riding on the narrow-gauge steam lines on a real steam engine and exploring the beautiful gardens and countryside that Bressingham had to offer.

On Thursday, Mrs Lawry led an assembly linked to the 'Take One Picture' project, run by the National Gallery, in which we are taking part next week. She revealed a section of this year's painting to the children in readiness for the 'full reveal' and activities relating to the picture, next week. Bird family meetings this week looked at the ideas of our strengths and talents.

Over the weekend

- You might like to design and make your own train or write about where you would go on a train and why.
- You may also like to practise reading and writing a range of the high frequency words and writing number bonds to 5.

Dates for your diary:

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

Monday 24th June: Bring a bear to school for the Teddy Bears' Picnic

Wednesday 26th June: Royal Norfolk Show day – School closed

Tuesday 9th July: Moving up day for Reception

Thursday 11th July – End of term for Pre Prep (No After School Care) with Prizegiving for Prep pupils only on July 12th

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your children.

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

Melanie Harries