

Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years – 23.03.26

<p>This week in Early Years...</p>	<p>We have also been learning about the Easter story with why Christians put a cross in their Easter Garden. We have learnt that it is an important event with Holy week and how they celebrate Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The children have enjoyed listening to stories, songs and re-enacting the stories through role-play and small world scenes. Some children have chosen to create Easter cards, Spring garden pictures and use a variety of art skills to create representations of an Easter artefact.</p> <p>The children thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Colchester Castle where they were able to share their knowledge of features of a castle, explore the battlements and armour! It was a lovely LAND for a fabulous term of learning.</p>
<p>Maths</p>	<p>In maths this week we have been focusing combining groups. We had a special visitor on Monday, a ladybird from the Garden. We had to combine the spots on his wings to let him know how many spots he had in total. Then we had some ladybirds of our own which we had to combine the two groups of spots to find the total number of spots. We have enjoyed using our sbitising skills.</p>
<p>English</p>	<p>This week in English we have focussed on independently writing instructions for growing a seed. The children were encouraged to use their phonics to spell words correctly as well as remembering finger spaces and clear, accurate handwriting. We have been very impressed with how keen they all were to write their instructions using time words and bossy language.</p>
<p>Phonics</p>	<p>This week we have continued to consolidate our learning of phase 3, with a focus on: ee (seed) oi (soil) ow (down) igh (sunlight) or (thorn) ear (beard) ur (curl) air (hair) er (better)</p> <p>This week we have also consolidated learning of all tricky words taught so far.</p>
<p>Partnered Reading</p>	<p>Books read this week: The Hunt, Quick! Quick! Quick! And Dig, Sid Dig!</p>
<p>Reminders</p>	<p>Please can we remind families that we only allow water in the children's water bottles. Especially as Spring creeps in and warmer weather arrives. Juice/Squash encourages wasps and ants into the classroom, so please can your child have water. Thank you for your understanding.</p>

To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

- Read their reading book and bug club books
- Plant a seed and ask your child to give you the instructions of how to do it.
- Play games that need 1 dice, encourage your child to subitise the number on the dice. Challenge: use 2 dice and ask your child to combine the spots to make a total.