

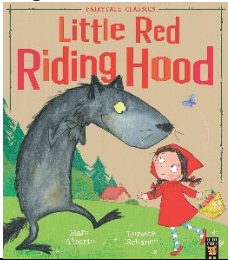


Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years – 20.04.26

<p>This week in Early Years...</p> 	<p>This week has been full of excitement in the Dolphin and Turtle classes! We were thrilled to receive a very special delivery of wriggly baby caterpillars, and the children have loved watching them move and grow. Our classrooms also buzzed with creativity as the children designed amazing imaginary mini-beasts, carefully thinking about their size, shape, colour and texture. There have been lots of brilliant ideas, lively conversations and big smiles as learning came to life in fun and imaginative ways.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>In maths this week, we have been introducing doubling in fun and practical ways. The children explored doubles using dominoes and by painting ladybird spots to show matching amounts on each side. To support their understanding, they used tens frames with two different coloured counters to clearly see doubles. We also enjoyed sorting and classifying numbers into doubles and non-doubles, helping children recognise patterns and build confidence with this new concept.</p>
<p>English</p> 	<p>This week in English, we launched our exciting new key text, <i>Little Red Riding Hood</i>. The children were amazed to discover a mysterious red cape and eagerly discussed who it might belong to. They have begun learning the story orally and created their own story maps to help remember the sequence. We also talked about Little Red's choice to disobey her Mummy by talking to the wolf, and why this was not a good decision.</p>
<p>Phonics</p>	<p>This week we have focussed on reading and spelling CCVC words e.g. frog, plan, drum, drop, swim, spin</p> <p>The children have learnt to spell tricky words: you, was The children have learnt to read tricky words: have, like, do.</p>
<p>Partnered Reading</p>	<p>Books read this week: Chick Gets Lost, Sharon and Flash and Your child will be able to tell you which book they have read, and you can access these on Bug Club.</p>
<p>Reminder</p>	<p>Dolphins will have their final Forest School next Tuesday 28th April Please remember to wear appropriate 'forest' clothes to school and bring in some wellington boots if you do not have any in school. Turtles will have their first Forest School on Tuesday 5th May.</p> <p>Sunflowers: remember to keep taking care of your sunflower and measuring and drawing it each week. 😊 We would love to see how they are doing with any photos on Seesaw!</p> <p>Mayday and coronation celebrations: 3rd May at 2pm- we welcome parents into the playground to watch our performances.</p> <p>Please ensure your child does not bring anything in their school bag other than their reading diary and book, water bottle, lunch if required, spare underwear. We have had a few difficulties with little toys and sometimes keyrings, we would appreciate if these could be kept at home. Thank you.</p>

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

- Learn about mini-beasts by watching a mini-beast adventure with Jess on CBeebies
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/mini-beast-adventure-with-jess>
- Doubles/non doubles game- roll 2 die and decide if it is a non-double or a double. How do you know? Don't forget to keep score.