

## Reception Newsletter

1<sup>st</sup> October 2020

This week we listened to the story 'The Bad-Tempered Ladybird' and discussed what bad-tempered means. We named different feelings and talked how we all experience different feelings throughout the day and what we can do when we feel sad or upset.

The children are becoming more confident when drawing pictures of the story and retelling it orally.

In Maths we have been learning about size, capacity and mass. We have explored capacity playing in the water area filling different size bottles and buckets. We investigated mass using the scales to weight sticks, pine cones and conkers. We also pretended to have a teddy bears picnic and sorted the bear's food by size.

In Understanding the World we have been investigating bugs and looking at the similarities and differences between them. The children also enjoyed creating their own book of bugs and insects.

In Forest school the children are noticing the changes in the season such as the leaves falling and changing colour and the acorns dropping. They are learning how to adapt our clothing to the cold and wet weather. This week the children have also been making magic wands using natural resources that they have.





## NOTICES:

**Help needed! We would love to receive some resources to help enhance our outdoor provision. Please contact your class reps if you can help.**

**Reading folder** – Children should bring their reading folder every day to school. Books of interest are changed every Thursday.

**School Book Bag** – In Reception children will be bringing home reading books therefore children need to have a book bag which is big enough to store the book and reading folder in without folding it. The most suitable bag is the school book bag as it is easy for the child to carry and to fit A4 books in.

**Packed Lunches** – Please be aware that we are a nuts and sesame school free due to allergies. Please do not send any products containing sesame or nuts in your child's packed lunch.

**Lunchtimes** – Due to COVID-19 we have a restricted menu so children do not have a choice of meals at lunchtimes.

**Illness** – If your child has any of the three Covid-19 symptoms (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of smell or taste) they need to self-isolate for 10 days or returning to school with a negative test result (send a copy of the result to the office).

**Home Learning** – Home learning will be set on Fridays and should be uploaded on Tapestry by the following Wednesday. Please check your Tapestry account daily for any important documents or observations.

**Practice at home** – In reception we promote autonomy and independence throughout the day, please practice at home how to open lunch bags, yogurt pots, put on coats and bags.

We thank you, as always, for your continuing support.  
Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

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