

Sylvester Primary Academy

Early Years Newsletter

Spring Term- 22nd March 2024



Nursery Class

In Nursery this week we have been learning about mass. We learned how to use balance scales to weigh different objects to see if they were 'heavy' or 'light'. On Tuesday we weighed zoo animal toys and had to compare them, saying which was 'heavier' and 'lighter'.

As part of our Science work on Spring we learned how birds migrate back to our country now the weather is getting warmer. We also found out that many birds and other animals have their babies at this time of year. In the craft area we made birds nest collages.

We also started our Easter activities this week! We decorated the home corner for an Easter party, made salt dough Easter decorations and cards.

For our Literacy work we have been talking about rhyme and rhyming words. We sing nursery rhymes daily and read rhyming stories regularly and this week we started to find the rhyming words in familiar songs.

Here is a link to rhyming songs we sing in class:

Nursery Rhymes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=buE6l32rCHo>

Reception Class

This week we have had a big focus on planting and growing. We have spent lots of time in the garden planting and exploring seeds, blubs and plants. We have been using the vocabulary of roots, stem, leaves and flower to name the different parts and found out what these parts are for.

In Maths we have been revisiting patterns. We have enjoyed working out the repeating pattern and looked at patterns using shapes, colours and objects.

Next week we will have a focus on Easter. We will be learning about the Easter Story. We will spend time doing some Easter themed crafts.

Why not try some of these games at home...

[Top Marks Shape Patterns Game](#)

[Top Marks Pattern Shapes](#)

Key Dates:

End of Term: Wednesday 27th March

Children finish at 1.15pm. Please note due to this there will be no afternoon Nursery on that day.

Wednesday 27th March 9.15-10am

Easter Parade- Children can decorate an Easter Bonnet or accessory at home to wear that day. Their will then be an Easter Parade in the hall and parents/carers can watch. Nursery do not do this in the hall as this can be overwhelming.

Reminders:

Please return Reception reading books on a Friday. This gives us time to change them for Monday.

Please ensure all items of uniform are clearly labelled. As you can imagine with young children jumpers/cardigans are easily misplaced and it is very difficult to get them back to the right person without names in them.

Just a reminder no nut products to be brought into school this includes Nutella products.