



19th May 2017

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: Five

Reception Class Newsletter

Another busy week has flown by in Reception. The children have been finding out more about farm animals. They have enjoyed learning about what we get from farms and have been asking lots of interesting questions. The children have been practising their cutting skills when making farm animal masks. They managed to trim tricky eye holes independently. We have also mixed red with white paint to explore shades of pink.



The children have been proudly showing what they know during our phonics checks this week. We have also been practising our tricky words so that the children can see and say them on sight. They are really enjoying our new sets of guided reading books and are becoming confident little readers. Thank you for your support with reading at home. This really helps to reinforce work done in school and also shows the children how reading is valued by their most important adults.

In maths, we have explored halving and sharing even quantities. The children physically shared groups of objects and tried to complete number sentences e.g. half of 6 is... or $\frac{1}{2}$ of 12 is... We talked about odd and even numbers. Some children had excellent suggestions as to what to do if we had one left over when sharing. We have also been consolidating our friends of ten.

Sports Week

Monday 22nd to Friday 26th May

We have a wide variety of activities to experience next week. These will include yoga, archery, orienteering, parachute games and athletics. It promises to be a most exciting week. We just hope that the weather is kind!

Remember that the children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit and trainers. Tracksuits may also be needed if the weather is cooler. They will need a waterproof jacket as we will endeavour to continue if we have light rain. Sun cream and a sunhat may also be needed. On Friday children will need to wear a T-shirt in their house colour.

Mystery Reader

Ewan's mum came to be our mystery reader. Ewan was so surprised to see her. She read the story of "Whiffy Wilson's First Day at School".

Many thanks for your time!



Mrs Rogers

Mrs Rogers popped in on Thursday afternoon to say hello to the class. The children were keen to show her around the classroom and made her feel very welcome.

*Have a great weekend,
Mrs Cheadle and Mrs Thompson*

