

25th May 2023

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: Six

Reception Class Newsletter



What makes a good pet and what pet we would like to own are just two of the questions we have been asking this week, following on from reading 'I Want a pet' by Lauren Child. In the story a mystery egg can be seen. On Tuesday we were left a very similar looking egg along with a letter asking us to look after it for a couple of weeks. We have had lots of fun trying to guess what might be inside the egg from clues we were left in the story. Some of the children, who have hens at home, have advised us we need to keep the egg warm. We have covered it with some teatowels and put some signs up warning any visitors to the room that they need to leave it alone! 4 of our Caterpillars have turned into Crysallisis and we are now waiting patiently for them to change into butterflies. Do you know what a tangram is? Tangrams are mathematical puzzles that take advantage of the simple concept of using basic shapes to create larger, or more intricate shapes and objects. Traditionally, the Chinese puzzle was a square divided into seven pieces called Tans. We have also been investigating which shapes tessellate. After half term we will be looking further at doubling and halving as well as odds and evens. Doubling and halving is great to do practically, especially if food is involved. We are looking towards being able to double and halve to 10.

PE kits

After sports week (week commencing 12th June) and in order to help prepare our children for their transition to year 1, **we are asking that your child no longer comes to school dressed in their PE kits on PE days.** Instead we are asking that you send in a bag with PE clothes that can be kept on your child's peg. If you don't wish to keep a pair of trainers/pe pumps at school in their PE bags, you can send them into school on a Monday and Wednesday which are our PE days. We would ask that you please name ALL PE kit. You will be amazed at how far children can spread their clothes whilst getting changed for PE, and it really does help if we can match children to the right clothes!



Super stars



Our stars today are Harley and Aryella



Congratulations!

Have a wonderful week!

Mrs Rogers, Miss Morrey, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Bebbington

Mystery Reader

Zachary's Mum was our mystery reader this week, sharing two more wonderful stories with us.

Dates Ahead:

Thursday 8th June: Reception Class trip to Runway Visitor Centre, Manchester Airport (letter sent out)

Thursday 29th June: Reception Class assembly 9am