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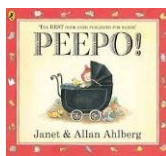
Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: Four

Reception Class Newsletter



Hopefully you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend despite the very mixed weather. Although we have only had 4 days in school, we packed a lot in! The excitement continues as our very own 5 hungry caterpillars continue to grow and grow. We are all confidently able to explain their life cycle and we have begun looking at other life cycles too, such as frogs and chickens. It was wonderful this week to observe a group of children playing 'caterpillars and butterflies' outside on the playground. In maths learning we have been adding numbers together and recording in number sentences. We used the story 'Mr Gumpy's Outing' to help us use the vocabulary first, then and now when talking about adding numbers together e.g **first** there were 2 animals, **then** there were 3 more, **now** there are 5 altogether'. We extended this by challenging the children to see if they could work out the 'then' when they knew the 'first' and 'now'. We will be moving onto subtraction stories next week.



Next week we will be using these two stories. We are going to be looking at how we change and grow and what homes were like in the past. If you have any photos of yourselves or grandparents as children/babies, particularly if it has some sort of background like a car or toy or the home that shows how things have changed, we would be very grateful if you can upload them onto Seesaw under the 'families in the past' folder.



Super stars



Our stars today are Emilia and Merida



Congratulations!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Rogers, Miss Morrey, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Bebbington

Mystery Reader

Thank you to our mystery reader this week. Florence's mum paid us a visit on Tuesday and read us another wonderful story.

Dates Ahead:

23rd/25th May: Dogs Trust workshops and assembly

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