### 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Excalibur Primary School

Reception Class Newsletter



Following on from reading 'Jasper's Beanstalk' last week, our story of the week this week is 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have also built the tallest Duplo beanstalks we can and used blocks and bricks to build Castles, tables and chairs for the giant.

We have been keeping a Close eye on our seeds and consolidating our understanding of a lifecycle through the introduction of our 5 Caterpillars and some tadpoles, kindly donated by Alyssia.

### Vocabulary of the week

Our words of the week this week are ginormous, Chopped, sparkled, shocked, clambering, descending, booming and slinking.

## VE day

The children enjoyed making Union Jack flags and rosettes to wear yesterday alongside their red, white and blue clothing. They also wore them in our special whole school assembly yesterday afternoon. We have talked a little about what it was like for families during the war with rationing, 'make do and mend', and what an air raid shelters was. We have kept it as gentle as possible. We also looked at a photograph of Winston Churchill delivering his famous VE day speech and talked about why the photograph was in black and white and why he was on the radio rather than TV. 🔀 Super stars 💢

Well done Imogen and Phoebe our two stars of the week



# Congratulations!

## Maths

This week we have been adding numbers together to find the total. We have been using the stem sentences "First there was x, then there was x more and now there are x altogether. We also did this for subtraction sentences.

### Dates Ahead:

19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> May – Sports Week. Wear PE kit all week. Kits to be sent home next week.

23<sup>rd</sup> May – Sports Day. Reception will join Key stage 1 at 1.20 pm.

23rd May - Finish for half term

10<sup>th</sup> June – visit to Runway Visitor Park (details sent out)

19<sup>th</sup> June – 9 am Reception Class assembly. Parents and Carers are welcome to watch. It should last around 30 minutes. Please note the school newsletter has a typo. It has the assembly as 18<sup>th</sup> May. The date is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June

July – Pirate Party Day, dress as a pirate for the day, date to be confirmed.

Have a wonderful weekend from the EYFS team

