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## Reception weekly newsletter - Friday 5th June 2015

Our first week back has flown by! Well done for all the fantastic reading and key ring practice that was done over half term. We have also loved hearing all the children's holiday news. You have all been very busy!





We have been planting more vegetables and herbs this week and keeping a close eye on our bean experiments too! We also have some other 'living things' in the classroom that are growing well! Our giant African snail 'Turbo' is back this week and his antics (or lack of them!) have been keeping the children entertained. We also have 5 caterpillars which are growing rather rapidly. Fingers crossed they

will survive and change into butterflies.

Mrs Hill wrote a super farmyard poem, when she took the class for me on the last day before half term, which we have been busily turning into another class book. We also have quite a few budding authors as lots of children have been making and writing their own books. With subjects ranging from Turbo to rhyming books based on the story 'Don't Put Your Finger in the Jelly Nelly' by Nick Sharratt. It is brilliant that they are so enthusiastic and so skilled! Some of the children have asked to put the books they have made into the 'books to share at home' basket. So, don't be surprised if they have a book written by someone else in their bag. It is to share with you then be returned to school.

We have continued our work on addition and begun to look at writing subtraction number sentences which is what this week's math's homework is about.

Matilda B's Grandad was our fantastic mystery reader on Wednesday, after which he was treated to a little 'show' featuring some super singing and joke telling!



We have had some glorious sunshine this week therefore PLEASE PLEASE ensure your child has a water bottle in school and a hat to wear when they are outside. Don't be alarmed if your child's water bottle seems full at the end of the day when it is warm we usually refill them as the children are encouraged to drink more water than usual.

Could we politely ask that sun cream is applied before your child comes to school so that they don't have to spend playtime trying to apply sun cream and eat their snack, all in 15 minutes! Sun cream that lasts all day would be great but if it does need to be reapplied; one that will last until lunchtime would be very helpful. We also ask that all sun cream is labeled and that you teach your child how to apply it themselves!

Next week the new Reception will begin their visits. They will visit us in groups each afternoon next week. I know the children will make them feel very welcome and do a fantastic job of showing them around.



It is a while away but Friday 3rd July is our sport's day and children can wear a t-shirt that is the colour of their team (Arthur, Merlin or Camelot) rather than their usual white PE t-shirt. Below is a list of teams. Please DO NOT confuse this with the colour group your child is in. In the past we have had parents buying their child blue or orange t-

shirts because that is the colour group they work in in the classroom. Your child will always be in Arthur, Merlin or Camelot as they move through the school. Children in Arthur should have a yellow t-shirt, Merlin wear green and Camelot wear red. The t-shirt does not have to be plain so don't worry if it has a picture on it. If you are unsure about this please ask!

Congratulations to Henry and Harrison our two stars of the week and to Ellie and Ava who sat on the VIP table to eat their lunch. Well done!

Many thanks,

Mrs Rogers, Mrs Newbould and Miss Harding

<u>Arthur</u>
Amira-Jae
Annabel
<b>Bronte</b>
Evie
Henry
Joshua
Kaloyan
Seth
Taylor
Zac

<u>Camelot</u>
Anya
Ben
Calum
Isla-Rose
Madeleine
Macy
Matilda B
Wesley
William
Xanthe

<u>Merlin</u>
Ava
Bojena
Claudia
Ellie
Ellis
Jake
Graysen
Harrison
Kylie
Matilda S
Rose