

Summer Term in Reception

Learning through exploring and experiences



Miss Huntly, Mrs Mole and Mrs Hastie

What have we been learning in Reception?



Since the end of lockdown we have been very busy! We have been watching Spring arrive while we have been at home, so we went to the field to look for signs of spring there too!

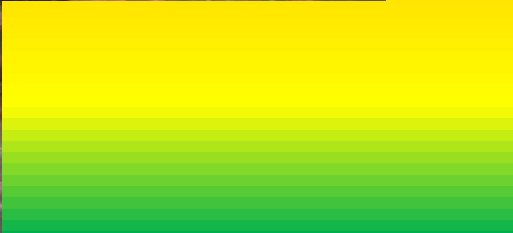


We have started to have our snack outside too which is very exciting!



We learned all about Holi, a Hindu festival of colours. It was very messy but so much fun! We created our own artwork by sprinkling powder paint on paper and spraying it with water.

Then we had a big powder paint party!



It was very messy but great fun!



This term, we learned about Africa. We read Handa's Surprise and talked about the animals and fruits in the story. We even got to try some of them. Miss Huntly tried to find a guava but she couldn't so she's going to keep an eye out for one!



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We looked at African necklaces and made our own using different things. We also learned that Handa lived in Kenya, so we made Kenyan flags too.

We really enjoyed the African music. Some of it made us think of swimming on a hot day! We made our own shakers and explored the noises the instruments make. We learned an African song too!



We filled our cups with different dry ingredients to make our shakers and then decorated them.





Miss Huntly got a letter in the post and it was from a gardener called Tilly. She gave us some sunflower seeds to grow and now we have a competition to see who's sunflower is the tallest! We have planted some in our outdoor area too so we can see them every day. We can't wait to watch them grow!



We have been learning lots of things in Maths, we know pairs of numbers that go together to make ten.



We have been talking about money, and we are getting better at working out how many pennies things cost how to pay for them too. We had Handa's Fruit Shop open, so we could buy fruit for our friends!

We are really good at knowing which things are the tallest and shortest!

We have been measuring things using cubes too. This is good practice for when our sunflowers grow and we can see how tall they are.

We follow instructions....

We have realised that writing and reading are useful things to know in Reception. We have been trying to find different ways to show our knowledge and are writing and reading everywhere.



We can use our phonics to build words.....



We share our knowledge that we have about things we have learned at home by writing them down for Miss Huntly too.

We need to keep practicing these things at home to make sure that we keep getting better - phonics games, I spy and other fun activities are I important too - not just your reading book!

On Fridays, it is Field Day for Reception. We get time to explore the village as well as doing Commando Joe activities with Mr Graham.

Field Days!

We love Commando Joe days, it helps us to learn how to work together and solve problems all while having fun!



What is next?



We will be learning about the ocean, who lives there and how to make sure we look after our oceans.

General Information

- **Water bottles** in school every day please!
- **Reading books** will change weekly. Please use www.teachyourmonstertoread.com - it's a fun alternative to reading books! If you have lost your login, let me know!
- **PE:** Wednesday, but this may change so every day is best!
- **Field Day:** Fridays!