

Summer Term in Reception

Learning through exploring and experiences



Mrs Kindred and Miss McLeod

What have we been learning in Reception?

We have talked about the changes that happen between winter and spring including the weather, what happens to plants and the clothes we wear! We also talked about Shrove Tuesday and what that means to Christians. We even had some pancakes too!

Our phonics sessions are not just led by Mrs Kindred and Miss McLeod anymore - the children are taking the opportunity to be the teachers too in free play!



We have been doing lots of listening to music and interpreting how it makes us feel, and we draw as we listen. We are beginning to sit down for short tasks as a whole class to get us ready for Year 1 in September.



For Red Nose day we had crazy hair day! We really enjoyed getting dressed up and thinking of different hairstyles!



We still love painting and making our own crafty creations too!



Now the weather is getting warmer we can go outside more. We love getting the water to help the plants grow and use our imaginations when we are building.



To end our learning about Holi we had a powder paint party!





O'clock time was tricky but we now know that it's o'clock when the big hand points to the 12! We also had a game of time bingo to check our understanding - it was really fun!



We have been practicing our spatial reasoning skills too by exploring tangrams. We tried to solve the puzzles and make pictures using the shapes too.



We made staircase patterns to help us think about how numbers go up by one and back down by one when they are in order.



We have been learning about which numbers go together to make 10 - number bonds and trying to spot numbers within numbers on ten frames too.





We have really enjoyed our topic this half term;

People Who Help Us

We have been looking at a small number of the professions that help us; police, fire fighters, paramedics and the RNLI. .

We now know that the police don't just "catch bad guys", they are there to solve mysteries and keep us safe too.

We know the number to call if there is an emergency and learnt a song to help us remember it. We also talked about who 'safe strangers' are and how to know who is a safe person to talk to if you get lost.



It was a very exciting day when Mr Moscrop brought in some chicks for us to see! We can't wait to see how big they have grown in a few weeks!



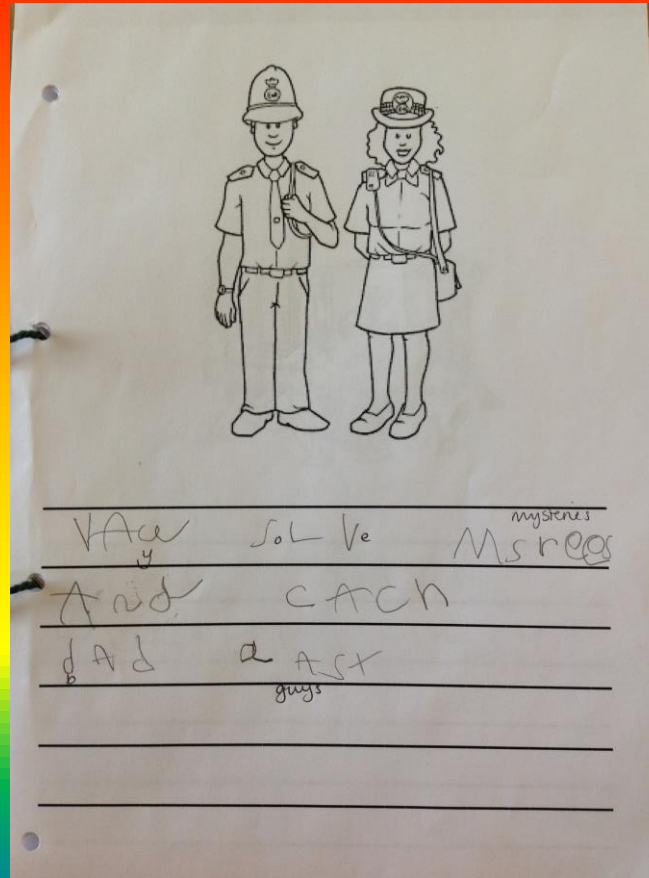
Some of the people who help us came to visit us too, we really enjoyed hearing about their jobs from them and ask them some of our questions as well as share what we have learned.

Our Writing

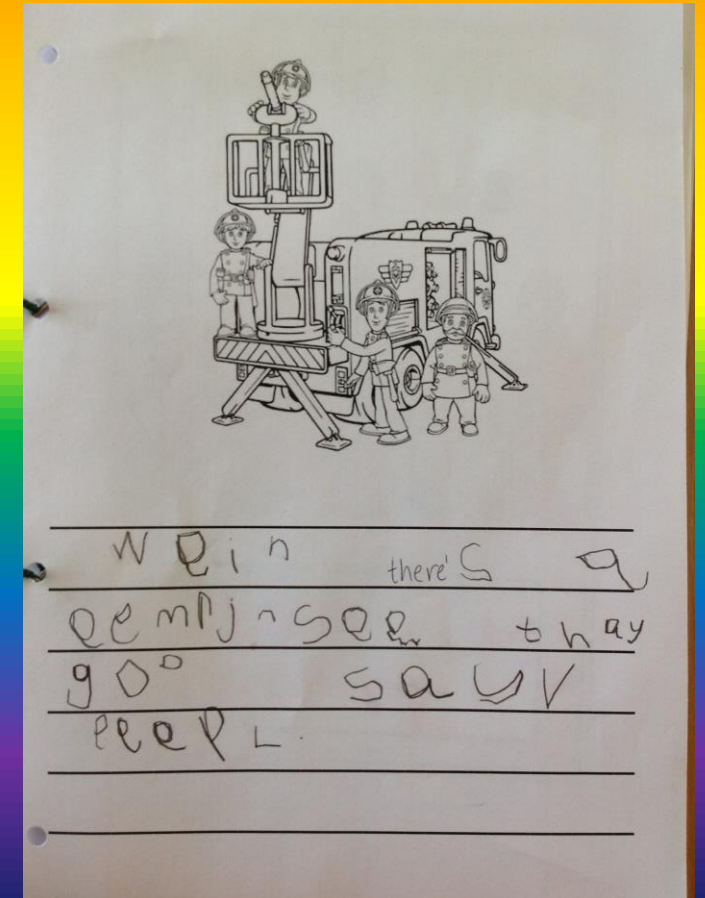
We have been making our own books this half term to showcase our writing skills. We are making an information book all about people who help us.

This half term we are beginning to think about putting finger spaces between words, adding a full stop at the end of our sentences and trying hard to remember what a capital letter looks like to start our sentences.

It's really tricky to remember all of these things as well as the sentence we want to write, but we are determined to give it a try!



Here are some of the pages from our books!



What is next?

After half term, we will be learning about litter and the effect it has on our environment. We will share stories about recycling and the impact it can have, thinking about the things that we can do to help make our planet a greener, safer place.

In preparation for this topic, you could encourage your children to help with recycling at home too!



Reading

Reading is always going to be big focus in Reception. Once they are able to read, they become better writers too! But that's not all - sharing stories together is a great way to help them become storytellers!

Please try and read your child's reading book with them every night - even just a couple of pages will work wonders!

General Information

- Reception Performance: 5th July
- Water bottles in school every day please
- Reading books are changed once a week (once they have become confident).
- PE: At the moment this is on Tuesdays and Wednesday but this will change after half term - we will keep you updated via parentmail.
- Field Day: Fridays as normal.