

St Joseph's



Reception Newsletter

After our Easter break we will be thinking about our Dad's please can you send in a photo with your child and their dad together or another significant male. We will send the photo's back with your child when we have finished our activity. Many thanks

Topic:

In the Sunshine and Sunflowers project your child will explore their local environment and see how it has changed throughout the year. They will grow flowers, fruit and vegetables in the garden area. They will learn how to care for plants and animals, identifying some different types. They will take part in outdoor learning activities and find out how to stay safe in the sun.

Supporting your child at home

- Grow some quick growing plants together, such as salad leaves, radishes or cress.
- Plan and go on a picnic.
- Go on a local walk and talk about the changes that have happened to living things throughout the year.

Maths

Next term we will be looking at 'To 20 and Beyond'. In this block, children become more familiar with numbers beyond 10 and the pattern (stable order) of numbers to 20 and beyond. Children will be familiar with larger numbers from daily routines such as counting children or the days in the month.

Home learning challenge:

- Hide number cards (11- 20) around the house or garden. Ask your child to find them and place in order.
- Use egg cartons or ice cube trays as ten-frames. Fill with small objects (buttons, Lego, pasta) to show numbers beyond 10.
- Use building blocks to make towers for numbers 11-20.
- Compare which towers are taller/shorter and by how many blocks.



Phonics

Please continue to use the Home Learning Support booklets to further progress your child's learning.

Our Star Poem

Rainbows

Rainbows are beautiful
Rainbows are fun
Rainbows are revealed by the sun
Rainbows use colors
Rainbows use light
Rainbows connect
beauty with everyday
life

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Information:



Family Lives offers a confidential and free* helpline service for families in England and Wales (previously known as Parent line). Please call us on **0808 800 2222** for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life. If you don't get an answer first time please do try again.

Reception stay and read sessions –
Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th May – 8:30-9:15
Thursday 7th & Friday 8th May – 2:30-3:30

Reception Year Group Assembly 7th May 9.00am

**EYFS School trip to Black Park-
Reception children and Preschool
children due to start Reception in
2026. More details to follow.** 2nd June

Father's Day EYFS Assembly 19th June 2:15pm



wish list

Next half term, we will be doing some gardening. If you have any of the following items that you would be willing to donate, we would be extremely grateful!

- soil/compost
- gardening tools for little hands (trowels, forks etc)
- gardening gloves for little hands
- packets of seeds



Here are a few links to support your children's learning at home.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/policy-and-campaigns/home-learning-environment/small-talk/>

<http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

What another fun filled week in Reception! Lots of learning about the Easter Story and its significance. The children also explored their feelings and emotions, with the wonderful Colour Monster story.



Finally, the children had their Easter Egg Hunt, Year 6 Charity Day, and Easter Fun Craft to end their week!

