

Weekly Learning Letter

Friday 3rd May 2024

This week in Reception:

This week has been another eventful one in Reception. All the children have had lots of fun focusing on doubling and even made their own doubling machine out of junk modelling. Each class also learnt about May Day and got involved in lots of creative activities relating to it. In Bears, the children loved painting pictures of Orchids and learnt all about the root system of plants. In Lions and Tigers, the children made their own flower crowns using a variety of different materials. As well as this, on Friday, everyone enjoyed learning about the art of Morris dancing and got to try it out themselves in the outdoor area.

Phonics:

This week in **Unicorn-Dinosaurs** phonics group, we have been practising reading CCVCC (consonants and vowels) words such as **stamp, blend, grand, crisp**, etc. We have also learnt the new tricky words '**some, come, love do**'.

T-Rex's phonics group have practised CCVCC words such as **drench, bland, frost** etc. and had lots of opportunities to apply their phonics when writing their own sentences.

Giraffes phonics began the week by recapping their phonics sounds by singing songs and playing games. We then focused on consolidating the learning of the trigraph **air** (hair, pair, chair) and the digraph **er**, as well as reading digraphs with double letters (digger, bigger, hammer, ladder).

Maths / Number:

This week, the children have been learning the concept of doubling. To start the week, we read the book '*This is the story of Alison Hubble who went to bed single and woke up double*' by Allan Ahlberg which the children loved. The children made their own doubling robot using boxes, they used the robot to find out the doubles of all the numbers up to 10. The children used white boards to record their doubling.



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Home learning ideas:

- Ask your child to make a doubling robot using boxes and different materials.
- Listen to some traditional folk music with your child and see if they can remember some of the Moris dancing moves they have practised.
- Ask your child to write down all the tricky words twice and then play a game of tricky word snap.

Early Years Garden Party

Early Phase (Nursery, Reception, Year 1) and the Friends of Kilmore will be holding their **Early Phase Garden Party** on **Saturday 11th May from 11.30-14.30pm** in order to raise funds for Nursery, Reception and Year 1. As well as providing an opportunity to socialise with families and have fun!

To make this a success, we need your help!

Volunteer

Please sign up if you can give some time on the day, follow this link

volunteersignup.org/8WYY9

Wish list

If you are unable to give time perhaps you could help us to purchase some items that are needed, the Friends of Kilmore wish list can be found here,

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/37CJ7CCIFV2UX?ref=wl_lfu_nav_2

Donations

Please have a good rummage at home to see if you have any unwanted toys or children's clothes for our pre-loved stalls. These must be cleaned and in a good condition.

Cakes

We would welcome any cakes (homemade or bought) to sell at our cafe. Please ensure that the ingredients are clearly labelled and of course nut free!

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Posters

Don't forget to make a poster. Your poster can be as imaginative as you wish but needs to include the following,

- Early Years Garden Party
- Saturday 11th May
- 11:30 – 14:30

Once completed please hand your poster into your class teacher or Ashleigh.

ENTERTAINMENT FROM OLYMPICUBS ON THE DAY!!

We are very excited to invite you our our Magic Mystery and Mayhem Show, hosted by the very popular James from OlympiCubs. There will be 4 shows during the Early Years Garden Party and tickets are now on sale.

<https://buytickets.at/friendsofkilmorie/1233166>.

Book now to avoid disappointment on the day! Don't worry if you miss out, we have kept half of tickets to sell at the garden party.

Thank you for all your support.

Have a great weekend!

Reception Team

