



KILMORIE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception

Weekly Learning Letter

Friday 13th March 2026

This week in Reception:



We have been continuing to explore the story of The Little Red Hen! From our retellings of the story, the children have had a go at writing the beginning, middle and end of the story using their character and story maps to help them. In our carpet times we have talked about how a story is structured and have built on how we can count out each word and use our phonics and sentence writing skills (capital letters, full stops and finger spaces) to write simple sentences for each part of the story.

It has been excellent to see the progress that the children are making with their phonics and writing skills!

Next week is our visit to Wildcat Wilderness on Thursday 19th March.

The timings are below – **Lions class please note you will need to arrive at school by 8.55am for the class to be able to leave at 9am.**

Lions 9.30-10.30am (leaving at 9am)

Tigers 10.30-11.30am (leaving at 10am) - Tigers Class a reminder that a packed lunch will be needed on this day. If you have ordered a packed lunch this will be ready for your child to have on our return to school.

Bears 1.30-2.30pm (leaving at 1pm)

Daily Class Opening Timings:

Please note your child should be arriving to their class during this time, otherwise they should be entering school via the office.

Lions **8.50am-9.00am**

Tigers **8.55am-9.05am**

Bears **9.00am-9.10am**



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Toys

We have had lots of toys brought in to school recently and some things have sadly been lost, broken or swapped with others. We have found this creates additional problems that take up valuable learning time.

We would like to ask that the children do NOT bring any toys/special items to school.

Thank you for your understanding.

Bookbags

Please continue to bring your child's bookbag into school on a **Monday. This should contain – your child's reading journal, your child's reading book and a book your child has selected to take home from our calm corner.**

Spare Clothes

Please provide your child with spare clothes in a bag at school, so they can change if their clothes get wet. Our own supply of spare clothes that we lend the children, is running very low - at the moment we are particularly low on boy's trousers – any donations would be great!

Phonics

This half term we are going to be reviewing and consolidating our recognising and reading of all the sounds and tricky words we have learnt so far. This will continue to support the children in cementing their confidence and give them time to assimilate all the amazing phonics learning they have done so far.

Your continued collaboration in this is greatly appreciated. We have attached a phonics song and Little Wandle sound mat that you can use at home.

[Phonics Digraphs Phase 3 Phonics - YouTube](#)




























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Grapheme mat

Phases 2 and 3

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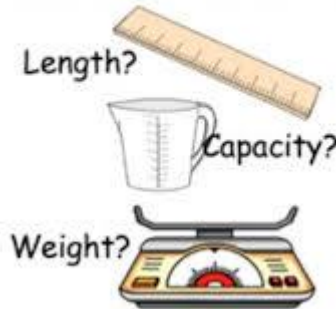




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Maths

Measures



In number time this week and next we will be thinking about 'Measure'. This week we have had lots of fun exploring length, weight and capacity both in our focused number time and in lots of areas of the continuous provision – measuring each other has been a particular favourite! We have used balances and multilink blocks to help us begin making basic measurements 'The x is x blocks long'. We have focused on the distinctions in the language we use to describe these measures (heavy/ light, Long/short [st/er], tall/ short [st/er]) and using the stem sentence 'x is x than x' to help us make comparisons between these.

Important Dates

- **Thursday 19th March** – Educational Visit to Wildcat Wilderness
Lions 9.30-10.30am (leaving at 9am)
Tigers 10.30-11.30am (leaving at 10am)
Bears 1.30-2.30pm (leaving at 1pm)
- **Friday 27th March** – Reception Stay and Play 8.50 - 9.45 - Writing focus
- **Friday 27th March** – Break up for the Easter Holiday
- **Monday 13th April** – Back to school - first day of the Summer Term

Home learning ideas:

- See whether your child can tell you the story of the little red hen
- Have a go at using actions to help your child tell one of their favourite stories
- Use objects at home at practice making 5 (eg toys, food)
- See whether your child can compare and measure their toys or objects around the house.



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We need your help!

Creative Area - In our classes the creative areas are very popular! The children use up the resources very quickly, which shows us they are a creative bunch! When you have any arts and crafts bits at home that you no longer need, we would love to add them to our creative area so the children can enjoy them at school.

Bits and bobs such as:

- Feathers
- Pom poms
- Pipe cleaners
- Glitter
- Old magazines
- Felt
- Buttons

