

Weekly Learning Letter

24th April 2026

Our learning this week:

Earth Week



To celebrate Earth Week, we have been raising awareness of some of the small things we can do to help the planet: using less electricity by switching off lights and electrical devices when they are not in use; saving water by turning off taps when brushing teeth and washing hands; composting waste food; picking up litter; printing less and reusing paper. The children made posters and pledges of some of the things that they were going to do. Look out for these around the school!

Maths

We have been focusing on teen numbers - 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.

We explained what the digits in these numbers mean, e.g. in 13 the 1 means that there is 1 ten and the 3 means that there are 3 ones. We made these numbers using objects and partitioned them into a ten and ones. Then we drew part whole models and bar models to represent what we had done. Finally we wrote equations,

e.g. $10 + 3 = 13$

At home: Practise counting the teen numbers – make sure you don't say thirty for thirteen! When you are out, look for teen numbers and talk about them – how many tens do they have? How many ones? What number comes before or after it?

Use objects to make a teen number. Partition it into tens and ones. Draw part whole models and write calculations.

English

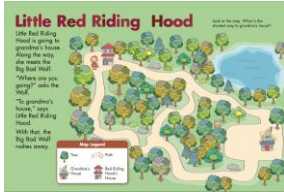
We read 'Queue for the Zoo' by Clare Bevan. We acted it out and then had a go at adding our own animals to the poem. We thought carefully about the sounds that they would make!

At home:

Choose a poem, it could be a nursery rhyme, and learn it off by heart. Can you perform it to your family?



Geography



This half term we are focusing on mapping our local area. To start us off, we looked at maps. We noticed that they used symbols to represent features and keys showed what these symbols meant. We drew a map of Little Red Riding Hood's journey to her grandma's cottage. We used symbols and a key.

Computing

We have been using Scratch Jr. We learnt what a sprite is and how to use programming blocks to move it around the screen. We changed the background and added start and end blocks to our programs.

You can try this at home for free:

Laptop/computer: [ScratchJr for web - Programming for Young Children \(Ages 5-7\)](#)

Tablet: [ScratchJr - Home](#)

Phonics your child has been learning this week:

	Sounds	Tricky Words
Jayne's Group	tch ture al (half) a (father)	once our laugh because eye
Kate's Group	ph g y ea wh ow oe ou	could would should who whole where two
Rhiannon's Group	sh ear air zz ss er ng ch ck	are pure sure here little says do were
Sarah's Group	a-e i-e o-e u-e e-e	could would should our house

Practise at home using these games: [PhonicsPlay - Phase 4 Resources](#) (Picnic on Pluto, Dragon's Den, Buried Treasure)

Dates for your diary

Friday 1st May: 5:45pm – 6:30pm - Parents Phonics and Phonics screening workshop (please come to the main office)

Tuesday 5th May – Ladybirds and Treefrogs Educational Visit to the Horniman

Saturday 9th May: Early Years Garden Party (see below)



Thursday 21st May: Sports Day

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Early Years Garden Party – Saturday 9th May 11:30am – 2:30pm

We are kindly asking Nursery, Dolphin Hub, Reception & Year 1 classes to bring in **items for our Rainbow Hampers**, which will be raffled to raise money for school resources at the Early Phase Garden Party on **Saturday 9th May from 11:30 – 14:30**, with a **quiet opening time from 11:00** for our families of children with special educational needs.

Each class has their own colour.

Please hand your contributions to your class teacher **between Monday 20th April and Thursday 7th May.**

Items could include non-perishable food, toiletries, candles, bottles, gifts, toys, books, chocolates
- you can be creative! Please remember that the items can be second hand if they are in good condition.

Rainbow – Nursery
Orange – Dolphin Hub
Red – Tigers
Blue – Lions
Yellow – Bears
Purple – Butterflies
Pink – Ladybirds
Green - Treefrogs

Thank you for all your support!
The Early Phase, Dolphin Hub and Friends of Kilmorie

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend!

The Year One Team