



Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Certificates

Congratulations to Olivia and Georgina who received our Star of the Week certificate!

Congratulations to Ezra who received our Value certificate this week!

Phonics

In phonics, we have continued our learning of phase 4 in our phonic sessions where we have practised reading and spelling words with consonant letter blends "clusters" at the beginning of a word **sk sp st sw tw fl fr sl cr cl dr pl pr bl br**. These are not new sounds, but single sounds that are blended closely together e.g. went lift jump.

Consonant clusters are easier to read, but more challenging to write because we need to listen carefully when robot talking and segmenting to hear the sounds in words. We have also learnt the tricky words **there** and **were**.

Maths

During our maths learning, we have looked at addition number stories. We have introduced the language **first**, **then**, **now** to help them create their own addition stories and then Ladybirds recorded their findings. Ladybirds challenged their learning by finding missing part when given the answer and one part of the number sentence.

Topic

Ladybirds have been observing their seeds this week and we have noticed that all have begun to root. Also, our caterpillars have grown A LOT! Ladybirds are beginning to wonder if they are nearly ready for the next stage in their lifecycle.

Well done to Monty for sharing his lovely very hungry caterpillar creation this week! It is now proudly displayed with our real hungry caterpillars.

This week in RE we have begun to look at stories. Last week and this week we looked at the story "The boy who cried wolf" to help us understand that being truthful even when it can be tricky sometimes is always best. Ladybirds helped read scenarios that were true and untrue and we discussed why some were untrue and how we can help to make them truthful. They really understood the story and the message behind it. They should be really proud of their efforts!

Home Learning Challenge

To collect recyclables for our junk modelling station! The children are very excited to continue to build, design and create minibeasts from our creative station but our supplies are running low. If you have any recyclables including: cardboard boxes, small boxes, egg cartons, milk bottles, tubes etc then please bring them in!



Thank you for your continued support.

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We value our parents as partners. Please leave a comment or email on any aspect of your child's learning. Things they are enjoying, new learning that they may have shared with you or things that they may be finding tricky.

My child's name:

Date: