



West Ham Church School

With God all things are possible

Early Years Foundation Stage

Weekly News Page

Spring 2, Week 5

26th March 2021



Little Owls Nursery

The children have loved our dinosaur topic - this week we have explored the features of a letter, postcard and cards whilst reading 'Dear Dinosaur', and have enjoyed investigating different types of dinosaurs and their habitats. Nursery have been enjoying games outside with our PE teacher, being encouraged to wait for their turn and work as a team.

We have welcomed some new faces this term and it has been wonderful to see our new friends settle into our routine and engage with all areas of learning.

Please encourage your child to independently try to put on their own coat and give lots of praise at home. We are encouraging a 'can do' attitude! Please also continue to read with your child at home - our reading books need to be returned on a Wednesday ready to go home on a Thursday.

Outside in the nursery garden we have planted some flowers.
Diya noticed "There are ten flowers growing."
Jesse asked "Can I water the flowers?"
Vjola exclaimed "Wow, look at our flowers growing!"
Nursery are looking forward to celebrating Easter next week!

Forest School

This week in Forest School we have been developing our physical skills. We built an obstacle course and practised balancing on the wooden beams. The reception children enjoyed using the stepping stones to count. Next week in Forest School the children will be looking for the first signs of spring.



Reception:

Honeybees class ~ Mrs. Jordan

Phase Leader

Teaching assistant ~ Mrs. Griffiths

Ladybirds class ~ Mrs. Baleka

Teaching assistant ~ Mrs. Dosti

Nursery:

Little Owls class ~ Miss Davis

Nursery Nurse ~ Miss Starling

Reminder

The school staff have been developing and reviewing our RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) policy and curriculum.

There will be an online meeting for EYFS parents to discuss the statutory content and our planned changes to the school's RSHE curriculum on **Tuesday 30th March at 9:30am.**

This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom, with members of the school's Senior Leadership Team.

Please contact the school office for more information if you would like to attend.

Reception

The reception children have enjoyed growing watercress herbs outside. The children have worked together to water and look after the growing plants. We planted seeds and spoke about what the seeds needed to grow. The children have commented on the plants as they have been growing, noticing small changes each week. Reception have enjoyed exploring our dinosaur topic and are looking forward to celebrating Easter next week!



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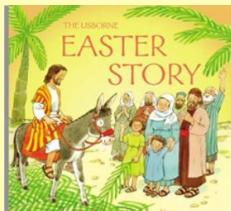
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This week the award goes to
Andreea in Little Owls
For
Trying to use positional language in maths

I hope you have enjoyed this week's stories. Next time, we will be focusing on "The Easter Story"



By Heather Amery

End of Term

Please remember that school finishes for the Easter holiday at
1:30pm on Thursday 1st April.

Please collect your child promptly.

The summer term will start on Monday 19th April.

The children have worked so hard this term - we are so proud of them!



Special mention to

Rayansh in Honeybees
for
Improvement in phonics

Shiv in Ladybirds
for
being a good friend and being kind

Vjola in Little Owls
for
Settling into nursery and listening carefully.



Little Owls gardening



Reception measuring dinosaurs



Reception Gardening



Little Owls



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Our theme is The Easter Story

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Communication and Language

LO: I can respond to the Easter story with my own ideas.

We will be working together to read 'The Easter Story' this week. The children will look at key parts of the story, describe what is happening, and think of questions to ask about the story..
Can you tell a friend what happened in the story?

Understanding the World

LO: I can observe changes in the natural world during spring.



The children will be looking for signs of spring, and thinking about how the world changes with the different seasons.

Where did the daffodils on the field come from?

Physical Development

LO: I can use large movements to join in with outdoor games.

The children will develop strength and spatial awareness by hopping, running and jumping in team building games outside.

Can you stay in a space when working as a team?

Personal, Social, and Emotional Development

LO: I know that people celebrate in different ways.

The children will be encouraged to think about how they celebrate special occasions at home and how this is similar to, or different from, their friends' celebrations..

What do you celebrate at home?

Mathematics

LO: I can use positional language accurately.

This week we will consolidate our knowledge of positional language. The children will be able to use keywords such as *beside*, *in between*, *on top* and *underneath* to identify the position of different Easter objects.

Where is the egg?

Expressive Arts and Design

LO: I can use different colours to make a stained glass picture.

The children will be making stained glass pictures to celebrate Easter. The children will think about which colours they want to use, and learn how to manipulate materials to reach a desired effect.

How did you make your stained glass window?

Literacy

LO: I can use key vocabulary to retell the Easter story.

We will listen to the Easter story, and sequence it using pictures. We will use the key words from the story to retell it within the classroom.

Can you retell The Easter Story to someone at home?

Phonics

Little Owls, Ladybirds and Honeybees



This week's sounds:

air, ure, er

Phonics - Ladybirds and Honeybees

This week's Tricky Troll words:
one, have, do, when, there, what, so



This week's Phonic Fairy words;

for, too, look, children, that, with

Can you include any of these in your writing?