

# RECEPTION NEWSLETTER



Week Commencing 18th May 2026



## Phonics

**Mrs. Dawson's group** are reviewing all Set 1 single-letter sounds speedily. They are blending independently using Phonics Green Word Cards (Word Time 1.1 to 1.5). They are spelling using Fred Fingers.

**Word time - 1.3(4)**

**Word time - 1.3 (5)**



**Mrs. Blackford's group** are reviewing Set 1 sounds speedily and reading Word Time 1.7 words (words with double consonants and 4- and 5-sound words). They are learning special friends and reviewing Word Time 1.1 to 1.6, reading 3- and 4-sound nonsense words, and spelling using Fred Fingers.

**Word time 1.7 (4)**

**Word time - 1.7 (5)**



**Miss. Ayott's group** are learning Set 2 sounds and reviewing all Set 1 single-letter sounds speedily with word time 1.6 and 1.7 including words with double consonants and 4 & 5-sound words. They are learning to read longer words and spelling using Fred

**air (fai)ingers. ir (twirl)**



**Mrs. Cummings' group** are reviewing Set 2 sounds and learning to read them speedily.

They are reading the matching Phonics Green Words including longer words. They are reading Set 2 nonsense words and spelling using Fred Fingers

**Word Challenge Set 2 - Lesson 9 & 10**



## QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILDREN THIS WEEK.

- What did you enjoy about making stick stories?
- How do frogs change?
- What vegetables did you like tasting?

We will be placing Reception lost property on the playground after school for the remainder of the week. At last count, we had 37 unnamed items, including a mix of branded and unbranded cardigans, fleeces, and jumpers.

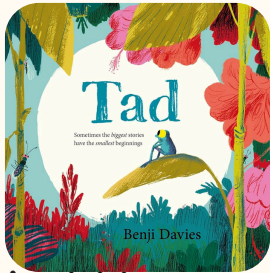
Any unclaimed items at the end of the week will be sorted and added to our uniform sale. For children attending wraparound care, the lost property will also be available to look through at pick-up time.

We wish you a happy and restful half term and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

-Mrs Blackford and Mrs Dawson  
and the Early Years team

## Maths

This week, children will focus on halving quantities by sharing into two equal groups. They will make links to the fact that halving is the opposite, or inverse, of doubling.



## Our book this week

We will be reading 'Tad' by Benji Davies and 'Growing frogs' by Vivian French'. We will talk about the life cycle of the frog and make connections to the life cycle of a butterfly.

## Activities

On Wednesday (No PE) we will be participating in the National Literacy Trusts 'Where Sticks Become Stories: A Musical Journey'. This is an immersive, interactive event for encouraging children to use their imaginations and explore the outdoors. Centered around the children's book Stanley's Stick by John Hegley, the program is designed to celebrate reading, music, and nature.

On Thursday, we will be tasting a variety of vegetables and making chips, linked to the story Oliver's Vegetables, which we read last week.

On Friday we will have PE in the afternoon.

## Diary Dates

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Return to School

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Chestnut Class Paxton Pits

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Willow Class Paxton Pits

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Sir David Attenborough's 100th Birthday Celebration - wear green.