

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

Next term, we will be learning all about animals. Please can children create a mini fact file or a picture of their favourite animal? We can't wait to celebrate these when the children return on Tuesday the 6th June!

Love Lola and Buzz



Week beginning 22nd May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another fantastic week, and the children have, of course, amazed us again. We have been particularly impressed with how children have thought about their behaviour in class, and what they're doing in Explorers' Time.

In Literacy, we have continued to look at our information texts, and have written the innovation. Ladybirds have written about spiders and Bumblebees have written about ladybirds. We have been so impressed with how children have continued working hard on the tramline paper, which is of course a whole new skill to the children. Some children even moved away from the shared write and came up with their own facts! At the end of the week, we had a go at some story invention, we love hearing the children come up with lots of different ideas!

This week in Maths, children have used a range of different resources to show and talk about 1 more and 1 less, as well as how numbers above 5 can be seen as 5 "and a bit". Children understood this concept really quickly, and, particularly with the rekenreks we introduced last week, could quickly make bigger numbers by thinking about them this way. Some children even thought about how a much less than 10 a number is to help them! We were wowed by this mathematical thinking.

Children have done some fantastic creating this week in Music, using different instruments as well as their bodies to improvise songs based on plants growing, gardening and animal calls. Children loved listening to different bird calls and trying to copy these too. Children have also been practicing their Spanish, further developing their confidence using different greetings in Spanish and then beginning to learn colours. We were particularly impressed with how hard children were working on their pronunciation.

Now that the weather is getting hotter, please make sure your child comes in with labelled sun cream and a hat. As a school, we have been recommended that children wear bucket hats, as they provide best protection. Children will be given opportunities throughout the day to put on their own suncream, but will need to come to school with some already on.

Dates for your diaries:

- **Monday 5th June:** Staff Development Day- No children in school
- **Tuesday 6th June:** Children back in school
- **Friday 9th June:** Class photos
- **Tuesday 20th June:** EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Please remember that if you have any queries or questions write us a note in the home school diary and we will find a time to answer your question.

The Foundation Team