

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

Can you think about our learning about routes this week and design your own route to somewhere you like to go? How do you get to the park? What do you pass on your route? Have a go at drawing it for us. We can't wait to see what you come up with!

Love Buzz and Lottie



Week beginning 2nd March 2026

What an exciting week we've had exploring all things pirates! During Explorer Time, the children have been busy drawing and following maps, crafting ships, pirates and telescopes in the creative area, discovering and counting treasure, and immersing themselves in imaginative role play.

In Literacy, we have been learning our model text, *A New Home for a Pirate*. Using our story map, actions, and drama, we've worked on internalising the story—ready to innovate the setting next week!

In Maths, we have been exploring numbers to 8 and their composition. We have also been ordering numbers up to 10 and reinforcing key mathematical language such as 'more than' and 'fewer than'.

As part of our wider curriculum, we have spoken about our visit from a firefighter last week and also discussed about other types of fire safety. We have also looked at how ships can follow a route to a destination and have had a go at labelling the different parts of a ship. Finally we have enjoyed some musical sessions around rhythm and repetition.

On Thursday we enjoyed a very 'wicked' world book day! Full of lots of stories about witches and wizards and some very magical crafting as well! The children loved coming up with their ideas for their 'truly magnificent broomsticks' and using sticks from our school field to make magic wands.

If you have any recyclable materials at home, we would be very grateful for donations for our junk modelling area. Toilet and kitchen roll tubes would be especially useful for our pirate-themed crafts, but we would also welcome small boxes and clean plastic bottles. Thank you very much in advance for your support.

Finally, as the weather seems to be improving (fingers crossed it lasts!) the children are removing their jumpers and cardigans more often. So, could we please ask that you check to ensure their name labels are still clearly visible.

Dates for your diary:

 **Thursday 2nd April** – Last day of Term 4

Wishing you all a wonderful and restful weekend.

The Foundation Team

Vocabulary we will be introducing next week:

The Natural World

- Materials – what something is made from
- Waterproof – something that keeps water out is waterproof
- Float – to stay on the surface of the water
- Sink – to stay below the surface of the water
- Weather - state of the Earth's atmosphere at a specific place and time
- Seasons - the four natural, repeating, three-month parts of the year—spring, summer, autumn, and winter—marked by changes in weather, daylight hours, and nature.



PSHE

- Loss – the feeling of sadness you experience when someone or something you love is taken away from you
- Grief – sadness in response to loss

Past and Present

- Special - someone or something that is special is especially great or more important than other people or things.
- Sacred - connected with God or a god; considered to be holy and deserving respect
- Church - a building used for public Christian worship
- Mosque – a Muslim place of worship

