

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

We have been so impressed with how well you've been getting on with writing on tramline paper this week! It has been great to see you thinking so carefully about your letter formation and letter sizing. This weekend, why not show the people at home how great you are at it! Along with this newsletter, you will find a sheet of tramline paper to practise on, as well as a photo on the back of the newsletter showing how each lowercase letter should look on the lines as a helpful reminder.

Love Lottie and Buzz



Week beginning 27th April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a wonderful week and have been fascinated by watching our caterpillars grow and change. We are already excited to see how much bigger they become over the weekend and have been making predictions about when they might begin forming their cocoons.

This week in English, we have continued to learn The Very Hungry Caterpillar model text. The children have been building their storytelling skills, sequencing events from the story, and writing simple sentences based on the text.

In Maths, we have continued to develop our subitising skills (seeing the quantity without counting) in increasingly complex arrangements. Some arrangements are easier to subitise than others – e.g. a set of 6 dots arranged in a structured die pattern. A key focus this week has been the children's developing understanding of doubles to support their subitising skills.

In the wider curriculum, we have continued our learning about special celebrations, with a specific focus on baptisms. We have also continued with our History focus on the monarchy and our Computing focus on data handling. During Explorer Time, we explored similarities and differences between environments such as beaches and forests, and in Music, we learned about improvisation.

The children are looking forward to two Balanceability sessions next week, on Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure they come to school in their PE kits on both days.

Thank you for the yoghurt pots and toilet roll tubes that you have sent in this week. We would be grateful for any additional contributions over the next few weeks.

Dates for your diaries:

- **Monday 4th May:** Bank Holiday (school closed)
- **Thursday 7th May:** Book Share (straight after school)

Have a wonderful weekend,

The Foundation Team

Vocabulary we will be introducing next week:

People and Communities

- Shahadah – the Muslim declaration of faith in God and His Prophet. It is whispered into a baby's ear when they are born.

Past and Present

- VE Day – Victory in Europe Day (VE Day) is celebrated on 8th May to mark the end of World War II in Europe in 1945.

The Natural World

- Lifecycle -the different stages of life for a living thing. Animal, humans and plants all have lifecycles.
- Parts of a flower





