

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

This week, some of you completed some fantastic writing missions, such as writing your pet's name and symptoms at our Sandgate Vets Surgery, or writing instructions for how to build a bridge for the Three Billy Goats Gruff. This weekend, we would love to keep this writing momentum going and would like you to choose your own writing mission to complete! This could be writing a shopping list for the supermarket or writing instructions of how to cook dinner or make a cake, or writing about your weekend; it's up to you! Use your imagination, and think carefully about your handwriting, capital letters, finger spaces, full stops. You will find some tramline paper on the back of this newsletter, should you wish to use it, and we can't wait to see what you come up with!

Love Lottie and Buzz



Week beginning 8th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've had another enjoyable week in Foundation! We've continued learning the story of *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*, making changes to the animals and villain in the story. We've also been practising our races for Sports Day, which we're really looking forward to next week! We have our fingers crossed that the weather is kind to us!

In Maths, our focus has been on counting beyond 20 and developing an understanding of the pattern in the 'ones'. We've also revisited repeating patterns. We have been working out the rules so we know which colours/shape/pictures will come next to continue the pattern and the children have been making their own 2 step and 3 step patterns.

In our wider curriculum this week, we compared the Serengeti and Antarctica in Geography, focusing on their contrasting weather conditions and the animals that inhabit each region. In Science, we explored different animal habitats, learning about where various animals live and how their environments support them. In PSHE, we discussed what money is and where it comes from, helping the children begin to understand its purpose and value.

Thank you for all your responses about our celebration event. Huge apologies for the wrong date being sent out on the initial separate letter, the details below are correct. We're looking forward to welcoming you all on **Tuesday the 14th of July!**

The weather has been extremely changeable lately, so we need to be prepared for all eventualities. If possible, please could the children bring in a raincoat each day during this time as we have had some very soggy children this week. Alongside that, as the weather (hopefully) improves, please remember that all children should come to school with **labelled sun cream and a hat**. As always, they should also bring a **water bottle every day**, and we continue to encourage regular water breaks throughout the day. It is easier if they have an all-day factor 50 applied before they come to school in the morning but we appreciate that is not always possible.

Plea – We would be grateful for any pairs of children's shoes that you no longer need. These could be trainers, plimsolls or school type shoes, even if they are not in brilliant condition, we will happily take them off your hands to have as spare pairs in school in case children's shoes get wet or dirty. Many thanks in advance.

Dates for your diaries:

- **Tuesday 16th June**- Sports Day
- **Wednesday 24th June**- Trip to Wingham Wildlife Park
- **Tuesday 30th June**- Book share
- **Friday 10th July**- PTA Summer Sizzle
- **Tuesday 14th July** – Celebration Event 2pm.
- **Tuesday 14th July** – Foundation to Year 1 Transition meeting 3.20pm
- **Friday 17th July**- Last day of Term 6

Key vocabulary for next week-



IPad

A tablet computer that you can use to learn, play, draw, and create.



drawing tools

Special drawing tools on a computer or tablet that help us create pictures.



keyboard

A set of buttons with letters, numbers, and symbols that we use to type on a computer or tablet.



digital picture

A picture that you create on a computer, tablet, or iPad using drawing tools.



typing

To press keys on a keyboard to write words, numbers, or messages.



self



portrait

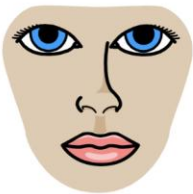
self- portrait

A picture you make of yourself.



symmetrical

When both sides of something are the same shape and size.



key features

(for a portrait)

The important parts of a person that help us recognise them, such as their eyes, nose, mouth, hair, and glasses.