

24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: Two

## Reception Class Newsletter



This week talked about seeds and their life cycles through the story 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle and then we planted seeds of our own. We set up an experiment to see what conditions are needed to grow healthy plants. We will be planting more seeds next week and in the coming weeks tidying up our outdoor garden and doing some further planting. We talked about collage, the technique Eric Carle used to create his illustrations, and saw how he was inspired by the artist Henri Matisse. We created our own tiny seed pictures using a collage technique. We will explore this more next week.

### Vocabulary of the week

Our words of the week this week are frazzle, gigantic, towering, drowned, attracts, vibrant and glorious

### Sunny Weather

Today the sun is shining bright again. If you wish to send your child into school with a sun cap or hat or sunglasses then please **ensure that they are named** as they are easy things to become mislaid! Please also ensure that any sun cream is also named (this is particularly important in case your child has a reaction to a particular brand of sun cream)



## Super stars



Well done Harper and Zara our two stars of the week



Congratulations!

### Maths

Can you recognise numbers beyond 20? Can you count to 100? We can! We have enjoyed lots of different games this week to support our mathematical learning. If you have any number track games at home or snakes and ladders now would be a great time to play them. We also looked at how to tally, so that we could record our scores in our throwing game. We could see it was much quicker and easier to total the score.

### Dates Ahead:

4<sup>th</sup> May – bank holiday

7<sup>th</sup> May – INSET day

18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May – Sports Week (details nearer the time)

22<sup>nd</sup> May – Finish for half term

9<sup>th</sup> June – visit to Runway Visitor Park (details nearer the time)

25<sup>th</sup> June – 9.10 am Reception Class assembly. Parents and carers are welcome to watch. It should last no more than 30 minutes.

*Have a wonderful weekend from the EYFS team*

