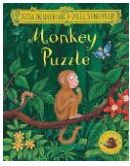


## Reception Class Newsletter



The children have been busy this week continuing their learning about life cycles. We have focused on the life cycle of butterflies. We also looked at animal babies and their parents and which looked the same as their grown-up and which were different. Our book of the week 'Monkey Puzzle' was very well received too. Our butterflies have made their chrysalises and we are excitedly waiting for them to emerge! Some children planted more seeds this week and we checked in on our cress seeds. You may remember we set up an experiment to see if the seeds would grow in the dark or in the cold or without water. We are pleased to report that we were right, our seeds did not grow unless they had light, warmth and water. Our conclusion is that the moon would indeed be unsuitable for growing food.

### Show and Tell next week – photos of you or your parents in the past

Next week we are reading the story 'Peepo' and we will be talking about life in the past. If you have any photos of yourself or your parents next to any items/ objects from the past e.g. a TV set, telephone, car, gas fire etc we would love to share these with the children. There will be a folder on Seesaw called 'families in the past' for you to upload any pictures you have. If you can't put them on Seesaw, then please send them in so we can still share them. We will be comparing life in the past to life now and using familiar objects such as a car, television or telephone is helpful for seeing how things have changed.



## Super stars



Well done Earl and Indiarna our two stars of the week



Congratulations!

### Maths

We have been investigating and exploring 2D shapes this week, as we rotate and manipulate them to make pictures. We have also explored their properties and named them. We played a game called which one doesn't belong using the book 'Which One Doesn't Belong' by Christopher Danielson. You can see it here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7OdK92mhgtc>.

We have only begun using this book this week, we will be continuing next week.

### Vocabulary of the week

Our words of the week this week are anxious, slippery, slinky, relieved, ecstatic, gigantic, unlucky and helpful.

### Dates Ahead:

**18<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Sports Week. Wear PE kit all week. Kits will be sent home next week.

**22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Sports Day. Reception will join Key stage 1 at 1.20 pm. It will probably start at around 1.30 pm

**23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Finish for half term

**9<sup>th</sup> June** – visit to Runway Visitor Park (details sent out)

**25<sup>th</sup> June** – 9.05 am Reception Class assembly.

Parents and Carers are welcome to watch. It should last around 30 minutes.

**July** – Pirate Party Day, dress as a pirate for the day, date to be confirmed.

*Have a wonderful weekend from the EYFS team*

