

Harris Primary School

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER

05/06/26



Star Award

Roger



Maths Star

Hayley



Writing Star

Evelyn



Story of the week:

Seasons Come, Seasons Go

(linked to our Understanding the World topic)

Wow vocabulary from our adjective work in Literacy:

wiry, bushy, beady, prickly

Phonics Recap Focus

Our sounds this week:

igh oa

This week's Tricky Words:

are like

Maths Focus

Have a go at ordering up to 10 and up to 20:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/coconut-ordering>

Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a wonderful half term. We cannot believe that we are in the final half term of Reception! The children have come back ready and eager to learn.

Describing Words

We have kicked off our half term by looking at describing words. We played a guessing game where I described what I could see, and the children took turns guessing who might be in the box! He had two round, furry ears, a long, wiry tail and two beady eyes. The children finally decided that I was describing a mouse, and they were correct! Harry the Mouse (a soft toy) has come to visit us for the half term. He lives in a box on my desk, and the children are allowed to take turns playing with him throughout the day. They must try to use as many describing words as possible when they are playing with him, as he loves describing words! We have used our new describing skills to describe animals, each other and objects around the classroom.

Seasons

We have been consolidating everything we have learned about the seasons this year. We are finally in summer (although the rain has certainly hindered the summer vibes this week!). The children have been ordering the seasons and taking part in a seasonal sorting challenge. This has prompted some excellent discussions about life cycles, growth, clothing and weather.

Henry Matisse

This half term, we are learning all about Henry Matisse. On Wednesday, we found out who Henry Matisse was and what he created. We looked at his 'Painting with Scissors' era and had some fabulous discussions about his artwork. We then spent some time looking at his creation, *The Snail*. The children shared what they liked about it and what they could see in the artwork. Afterwards, we had a go at creating our own versions of *The Snail* – they look fantastic! Look out for these on display on our bi-fold doors.

Baby Photos

Next week, we will begin looking at how we change and grow. The following week, we will share our baby photos to see how we have changed over the last few years. Many thanks to those of you who have already sent in a baby photo. If you have not done so yet, please email your child's baby photo to s.grainger@harris.lancs.sch.uk by Friday 12th June.

Things to remember

- Home reader changing days: *Mondays: Parrots – Tuesdays: Monkeys – Wednesdays: Zebras*
- Your child's reading pack must come into school everyday.

Gallery

<https://www.harris.lancs.sch.uk/works/8652/9571>