



#### Story of the week:

The Perfect Ribbit

#### Wow vocabulary:

frogspawn, tadpole, froglet, admired, disapointed

#### Phonics Recap Focus

Our sounds this week:

*oo (moon) oo (book)*

This week's Tricky Words:

*said when*

#### Maths Focus: Subitising

Hide small groups of objects (up to 5) under pots and quickly reveal one group at a time. Ask your child to find the matching number card as quickly as they can; number cards can be made easily by writing numbers on pieces of paper.

#### Rhymes

In Literacy this week, we have been focusing on rhyming words. We have listened to a range of nursery rhymes, mainly with a mouse theme, as Harry the Mouse is still visiting us in class! We have been exploring the rhyming words in each rhyme and learning the nursery rhymes with accompanying actions. Next week, we will take a closer look at Hickory Dickory Dock and have a go at changing some of the words to create our own versions, ensuring that they still rhyme.

#### Life Cycles

As part of our Personal, Social and Emotional Development, this week we have been learning about life cycles. We discussed what the term 'life cycle' means and explored a variety of plant and animal life cycles. We learned about the life cycle of a frog and how frogs grow and change over time. To support our learning, we read The Perfect Ribbit. The children then created frog life cycles, placing the frogspawn, tadpole, froglet and adult frog stages in the correct order.

#### When We Grow Up

In our Understanding the World lessons, we have begun to explore how humans change and grow. We thought about the future and discussed the changes that may happen between now, as 4- and 5-year-olds, and adulthood. The children made some thoughtful contributions, including growing beards, voices changing, hair turning grey and getting taller. They then thought about what they might look like in the future and had a go at drawing themselves as adults.

If you have not done so already, please email your child's baby photo to [s.grainger@harris.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:s.grainger@harris.lancs.sch.uk) as soon as possible, as we will be looking at the photos next week.

#### Henry Matisse

We have continued learning about Henri Matisse in Art. This week, we recreated his artwork *Icarus* with our own twist. The children struck a pose for the camera and we then printed and cut out their photographs to use in place of the silhouette in the original artwork. The children used their cutting skills to create their own versions of the piece.

#### Sports Day

Our Sports Day will be held on Monday 15th June at 9:30am. We cannot wait to see you there! Sports Day is always lots of fun and the children have a wonderful time.

A few reminders: • Please ensure your child brings a water bottle on the day. • Please do not call your child over to you during the event. It is important that they remain with the class so that staff can account for all children at all times. We appreciate your support with this.

#### 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>