



# Reception Newsletter

'We can and will succeed'

**Staff in Class: Teacher: Mrs Wilkinson. Nursery Nurses: Mrs Wharton/Mrs Harwood.**

**Message from the staff:** We hope you have had a good Easter break and are ready for the new term ahead of us.  
We will continue to use Seesaw to document children's learning in EYFS, so please do comment on your child's work in their journal or press the heart icon to give it a 'like'.  
As always, please come and speak to a member of staff if you have any questions, concerns or comments.

## Class Topic: Farm, Food and Growing

In this topic, Reception will be exploring farm animals, food and growing. We will be visiting Canon Hall farm to see the animals and find out about life on a working farm.

### Wow Experiences - Canon Hall Farm & observing caterpillars

We will be observing caterpillars as they grow and change into painted lady butterflies.



## Knowledge and Understanding of the World:

**Farm Animals** The different animals born in Spring time.

**Healthy Eating** What makes a Healthy plate? Why is healthy food important to us?  
**Growing and life cycles.** What do plants need to help them grow? Observing the life cycle of a butterfly.

**Eid** Who, how and why people celebrate Eid.

## Maths:

Exploring numbers to 20 and beyond.  
Building numbers to 20 and counting to 20 and beyond.  
Addition of numbers to 10. Combining numbers. How many altogether?  
Subtraction within 10. How many do I have now?  
Exploring and naming 2D and 3D shapes.  
Doubling numbers within 10.



## English:

The children will be learning stories through 'Talk Through Stories'. We will be reading the stories frequently to get to know them really well and learning the vocabulary in them.

**The stories this term are: Farmer Duck, Supertato and The Extraordinary Gardener.**

**Phonics:** Children will continue learning letter sounds and how to blend and segment words. They will continue to practice m, a, s, d, t, i, n, g, o, c, k, u, b, f, e, l, h, sh, r, j, v, y, w, th, z, ch, qu, x, ng, nk, ay, ee, igh, ow, oo, ar, or to build words and write simple sentences.

**Letter formation:** Children will continue to practise forming the letters correctly.

## Physical Development:

Getting dressed and undressed. For P.E.  
Moving around the hall.  
Balancing.  
Ball skills.  
Using the outdoor area climbing on the climbing frame and using the bikes.  
P.E. is on a Thursday. Pumps needed.



## Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

Relationships.  
Piece 1 - My Family and Me!  
Pieces 2 and 3 - Make Friends, Never Ever Break Friends!  
Pieces 4 and 5 - Falling Out and Bullying.

## Creative Development:

Observational drawings/paintings.  
Colour mixing.  
Cutting and sticking to create a collage.  
Designing and making models.  
Music and singing sessions.



## How to help at home:

Your child's reading book will be changed every Friday, they will keep the same reading book for the week. Please listen to your child read their book as often as possible. Listening to your child re read the same book helps with their reading fluency and confidence. Please write a comment in your child's reading record each time they read to show how they are getting on with the book they have been given. Book bags should be in school every day.

**Days/Dates to remember:** Cannon Hall Farm Trip Tuesday 16th April.

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 6th May the school will be closed.

We break up for half term on Friday 24th May and return to school on Monday 3rd June.

We will continue to send all notifications and updates through the Family Seesaw app.







