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St Mary's C of E Primary School

Butterfly Class Weekly Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Families,

We had an amazing time last week celebrating the Coronation. Thank you very much for the cake and fruit you provided (alongside the Reception cake sale too!). We made crowns, built castles, designed Union Jack flags, listened to the National Anthem, learnt about the Royal Family and so much more. The highlight was our Coronation Party on Friday. The children loved being part of the wider school community and enjoyed dancing, cake making, scavenger hunting, taking part in team games, and of course, eating cake!

Aside from the Coronation, in Literacy we carried on thinking about people who help us, turning our attention to the Postal Service. We read the book "The Jolly Postman" as a starting point for writing letters and addressing envelopes. We thought about how letters are sorted alphabetically and what type of things you might receive in the post. This week, we have been learning about Vets. We have read the book, "Hairy Maclary's rumpus at the vet" and "Paula the Vet". The children have demonstrated their understanding of the texts by asking and answering questions about them. We have also introduced the concept of speech bubbles - why don't you try to look out for these in your stories at home.

In Maths, we have been learning about shapes and how we can manipulate them to create different and/or bigger shapes. We have also been continuing to learn about the 'teen' numbers and how one lot of 10 helps to make numbers 11-19. We are continuing to look at subitising by playing games, rolling dice and looking at small groups of items up to 10. The children are being introduced to new vocabulary: first, then and now to teach them how we **first** start with a number, **then** we add or take away and **now** we are left with another number.

Notices for the week:

- As the weather is getting warmer, please provide your child with a summer hat, as well as a water bottle.
- Remember, the Butterfly Class assembly is taking place on Monday 22nd May, at 2:30pm.
- If you have any recycling at home that you would like to bring into class, our children love junk modelling.
- Please make sure packed lunches are healthy.

Optional home learning:

We know that not all classrooms have 4 walls, so we would like the optional learning to take place outside - fingers crossed for decent weather! Physical development plays a very big part in the EYFS curriculum so spend some time outdoors doing things such as climbing, riding a scooter/bike, using a skipping rope or learning hopscotch etc. Get busy, get active and have fun!

Best wishes,

Mrs Davies, Mrs Sage and Mrs King

