

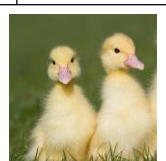


## Reception Newsletter 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

We have had another fabulous week in Reception. From exciting our senses with herbs and spices to make potions in our outdoor play kitchen, to exploring charcoal as a new medium for mark making. We have also enjoyed talking about the seasons and listening to 'Seasons of the Year' song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZjpI6fgYSY>



As the summer months are fast approaching, we have spent time this week sharing what we have learnt about Spring and the changes we have observed in the world around us. The National Trust have a great page on their website that would be a lovely talking point with your child (<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/7-signs-of-spring-everyone-should-know>). You may even wish to go for a family walk this weekend and have a 'Signs of Spring Hunt'. Please send in any observations and include the 'child's voice where possible, we would love to hear from you.



### Reading:

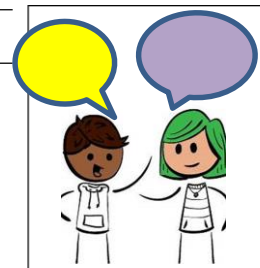
Last week we mentioned a series of Tricky Word songs for the children to sing along to at home. This week we have sent home tricky words phase 4 to keep and practise.

Tricky Word hunts are always a fun game to play indoors on a rainy day or outside if the weather is bright. You could even make a 'tricky word' target practise or maybe a 'tricky word' hopscotch, saying the tricky word that your pebble lands on.



### Number:

Number Talk has been our focus this week, discussing number problems through stories and sharing different strategies to solve them. We have revisited our existing number knowledge with number bonds to ten and used this to explain our 'reasoning' in problem solving.



### Important Information:

- We will be sending PE Kits and wetsuits home next week for a spring clean. Please make sure these are brought back into school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June. With the warmer months approaching, it may be a good idea to send back in the lighter weight wetsuits that the children used in the Autumn term (if they still fit).
- Please remember that next Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May, is a teacher training day.

We hope you have a lovely weekend, from the Reception Team.