### Homework & Home Learning

#### Homework and home reading.

Teachers will give homework to your child each Friday. It is a small activity such a name writing or watching a video. Your child will be sent home a decodable home reading book linked to their phonics level and a picture book to read together. Please read to and with your child as often as possible.

Why not share the great work you do at home with our Twitter (@greetprimary) or Instagram account (@greetprimaryschool)?

Please make sure that you are on Marvellous Me- this will ensure you receive key messages from your child's class teacher. If you are not on Marvellous Me, please ask your child's class teacher for more information.

#### Some of the books we will be reading are:



What Do Machines Do All Day? By Joe Nelson



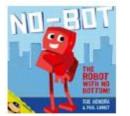
Shark in the Park By Nick Sharratt



Car, Car, Truck, Jeep By Katrina Chapman



#### Errol's Garden By Gillian Hibbs



No-Bot The Robot With No Bott By Sue Hendra



The Butterfly Bouquet By Nicola Davies



# **Reception** Summer Curriculum Units Marvellous Machines

In the Marvellous Machines project, your child will learn about technology that is part of their daily lives. They will explore various machines, learn about how machines help us and find out about how machines have changed and developed over time. They will learn about products that use electricity to make them work and explore magnetic and non-magnetic materials.

#### Supporting your child at home:

- Talk about the machines and technology you use in your everyday lives.
- Look for things in the home that are powered by electricity.
- Look for items that are powered by batteries.

## Sunshine and Sunflowers

In the Sunshine and Sunflowers project your child will explore their local environment and see how it has changed throughout the year. They will grow flowers, fruit and vegetables in the garden area. They will learn how to care for plants and animals, identifying some different types. They will take part in outdoor learning activities and find out how to stay safe in the sun.

#### Supporting your child at home

- Grow some quick growing plants together, such as salad leaves, radishes or cress.
- Plan and go on a picnic.
- Go on a local walk and talk about the changes that have happened to living things throughout the year.

Please note during the summer term, children will also complete 2 mini projects; Creep, Crawl and Wiggle (about Minibeasts) and Moving On (transition to Year 1)

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#### Songs we will be singing linked to our curriculum:

Wheels on the bus
Hurry, hurry, Drive the Fire Truck
Row, Row, Row your boat
Down at the Station
5 little Men in a Flying Saucer

Five Currant Buns I'm a Little Teapot Little Miss Muffet The Farmer Plants the Seed Mary, Mary Quite Contrary There's a Tiny Caterpillar on a Leaf

#### Trips and experiences:



Children will visit the local park.

Children will visit the local library.

We are arranging a further special trip...watch this space

#### PE Day: Thursdays

P.E. takes place on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school.

It is part of their physical development: to use fine and gross motor skills to get changed!

#### **Parent Workshops:**

Marvellous Machines: From 8.45am Week Beginning 8<sup>th</sup> April. Join your child as they try a number of foods from different machines.

#### Making a Robot:

Week Beginning 29<sup>th</sup> April. Junk modelling with your child.

# Outdoor Area: Wellies and Waterproofs!

If possible, can you send in a pair of wellies and waterproof trousers. We will keep them in school and children can change into them when using the outdoor area on wet/muddy days.

## What will your child be learning?

**Mathematics:** Children will learn to count on and back from a number. They will work with numbers up to 20. They will learn to double and half. Children will make patterns with shapes .They will learn about different measures.

**Reading & phonics:** Children are continuing to have daily Read Write Inc sessions, consolidating previously learnt sounds and blending 3, 4 and 5 letter words. Homework to support this at home will be sent each Friday.

**Writing:** The children will continue to be supported in their early writing journey this half term. They will be expected to apply their learning in phonics lessons to write a simple sentence.

**Communication & language:** The children will be supported to develop vocabulary as they explore different types of machines and how they work. We will model and encourage the children to talk in full sentences during this time and this is something you can support your child with at home too.

**Expressive art & design:** We will be using our class unit of work to make clay models of different machines as well as designing a robot from junk modelling. They will make a sunhat in the final term.

**Physical development:** Big movements as well as small movements (gross and fine motor) are vital in supporting the children to develop the muscles to learn to sit, write and complete their work. In our PE sessions the children will be practising their speed, agility and travelling skills. Our activities in class have a fine motor focus to help the children's hand strength, pencil control and self-help skills (doing buttons and zips).

**Outdoor Area:** The outdoor area is a continuation of the classroom where lots of learning takes place. Children will investigate in the water area and in the mud kitchen. They will get moving with physical development activities and use creativity in the role play area.