

## Summer Term 1 Week 1



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## <u>This Week</u>

The children came back to school full of news about their Easter Holiday and wrote all about their best memories, most of which included a visit from the Easter Bunny! What fantastic writers they are all becoming. We introduced our new animal topic by talking about pets. The children have listened to each other speaking about their own pets and some have enjoyed showing some photographs of them. We have read stories about pets and we have created a vets role-play. We have recorded our favourite pets using tally charts and graphs. We had some very special visitors; Mrs Clarkson introduced us to her pet tortoise, Billy, who had just come out of hibernation and Mrs Holdsworth brought her dog, Biff, to meet the Reception children. Both pets were very well behaved and we were all thrilled to see them.

## **Phonics**

We have now started Phase 4 of our Phonics Programme. We started by reading and writing words ending in ed. We have sent home some sounds and harder to read and spell words for you to revise with your child from Phase 2 and 3.

## <u>Maths</u>

Focus: Cardinality, ordinality and counting

A key area of focus this week was to develop confidence in counting strategies, including counting on from different starting numbers, counting larger numbers of objects (past 20), including those that cannot be moved.

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As we approach Summer with great optimism, please send your child in each day with a named sun hat and apply sun cream before school each morning. We are unable to put sun cream on



the children during the day, but if you show your child how to apply it, we can supervise this. We recommend the roll on ones for ease and please name these too. Sunglasses are not really necessary, but if your child wishes to wear them at school, please ensure they are clearly named. Please remember to send water bottles every day as we are encouraging the children to stay hydrated. No matter what the weather, we do ask you to always send your child in a suitable coat to ensure they can still go out, come rain or shine. Thank you.

