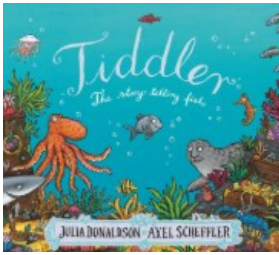




Reception News

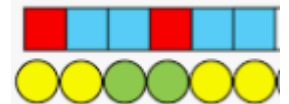


Friday 8th May



This week, we have shared the story Tiddler, and looked at why Tiddler was late for school. Tiddler came up with a lot of excuses, such as, "I was riding on a sea horse," or "I was hiding from a shark". The children came up with some fantastic vocabulary to make their excuses better including **colossal squid, razor sharp teeth and abandoned shipwreck**.

In Maths, we are focusing on building our own patterns and remembering that we have to have a unit of repeat. We have extended and mended patterns when our teachers tried to catch us out! Can you build a repeating pattern at home?



Thank you so much to families that have made sure their children are in school and on time every day - our time with the children really is crucial at this stage.

Phonics and handwriting

We have now looked at 'special friends' in Phonics, with many children already demonstrating that they know more than the 10 digraphs required for reaching the end-of-year expectation. See the attached sheets if you would like to share these at home.

We have now introduced daily handwriting sessions with all of the children, with a focus on having good writing posture when sitting at a table, and ensuring every letter is formed correctly, in line with our phonics scheme (Read Write Inc). The rhymes for formation are attached for if you have a keen writer at home!

Sign of the week

Under the sea

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MuaVjCNUQ9A>



DUCKLINGS' CLASS will be visiting Hagley Library in the week of 18th May.

Parents/carers are invited to join us there for a story and reading session at 2pm. You will then be able to take your child home from here. Children who need to return to school will be walked back by staff. Children with surnames A—L will visit on Monday 18th May, 2pm—2:30pm. Children with surnames M—Z will visit on Wednesday 20th May.



Reception Sports Day is Friday
3rd July at 9.15am.



Reception have a trip to Attwell Farm on Thursday 2nd July.



Next week, we have living eggs arriving for us to observe—they should hatch after a few days with us! What an egg-citing week ahead!

Rhymes for letter formation - taken from Read Write Inc.

a  Around the apple and down the leaf.	b  Down the laces to the heel and around the toe.	c  Curl around the caterpillar.	d  Around the dinosaurs bottom, up his tall neck & down to his toes.	e  Lift off the top and scoop out the egg.	f  Down the stem and draw the leaves.
g  Around the girls face, down her hair and give her a curl.	h  Down the head, to his hooves and over his back.	i  Down the body and dot for the head.	j  Down his body, curl, dot for his head.	k  Down the kangaroo's body, around its tail and down its leg.	l  Down the long leg.
m  Down Maisie, mountain, mountain.	n  Down Nobby and over his net.	o  All around the orange.	p  Down the pirates plait and around his face.	qu  Round her head, up past her earring, down her hair, and flick.	r  Down the robots back and curl over his arm.
s  Slither down the snake.	t  Down the tower, across the tower.	u  Down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle.	v  Down a wing, up a wing.	w  Down, up, down, up.	x  Down the arm and leg, repeat the other side.
y  Down a horn, up a horn and under head.	z  Zig-zag-zig.				

Speed Sounds Set 2

ay  may I play?	ee  what can you see?	igh  fly high	ow  blow the snow	oo  poo at the zoo
oo  look at a book	ar  start the car	or  storms in the North	air  that's not fair	ir  whirl and twirl
			ou  shout it out	oy  toy for a boy

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