



THERE'S NO FULL STOP TO LEARNING

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Topic:

Our topic this term will be TURTLE WATCH again as the children have been loving it so much and are not yet ready to finish our story.

Class Assembly:

Further to my letter before half term, please remember to put **Friday 12th June, 2.30pm** in your diaries so you don't miss our class assembly, *Sharing A Shell* by Julia Donaldson. Here's a quick reminder of the main points of my letter:

- **Performance** is on Friday 12th June at 2.30pm
- **Script** – you should have all received a copy of the script. Please help your child learn their lines as soon as possible so they feel super confident. Thank you to everyone who has already done this – it really does make such a big difference to how the rehearsals flow if they know their lines early on.
- **Costumes** – If you would like your child to wear a costume, please send it in, named and in a named bag by Tuesday 9th June so we can practise with them on. There is a list of what your child might wear on my previous letter
- **Face paints**
 - let us know if you do *not* want your child to have face paints
 - let us know if you can help with face paints from 1pm on Friday 12th June
- **Don't worry about teaching them the songs** on the script – I spent some time in the break changing them and cutting them down so I will teach them the new, shorter versions.

Trips:

We are going to go to the London Wetlands Centre to follow the children's keen interest in ponds and pondlife. We are going to have a pond dipping workshop, see the otters being fed and hopefully have time to play in the playground too. We will also be going to The Minet Library on Wednesday 1st July in the morning. A letter will be sent to you about these shortly.

Relationships, Health (and Sex) Education:

This term, Reception children will be taking part in age-appropriate Relationships, Health and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) learning. The lessons focus on **Caring Friendships, Being Kind, Different Families** and **My Body, My Choices**. Through stories, discussions and practical activities, children will learn how to build positive friendships, show kindness and respect, recognise that families can be different, and understand the importance of personal boundaries, consent and seeking help from trusted adults when needed. These lessons support children's social, emotional and physical wellbeing, helping them to develop confidence, resilience and the skills needed to build healthy relationships. You are welcome to contact the school for further information about lesson planning and resources.

Drugs Education:

This term, Reception children will be taking part in age-appropriate Drugs Education lessons. Through the topics **How Medicines Help Us, Let's Be Healthy** and **Keeping Safe**, children will learn about the importance of medicines in helping people stay well, healthy habits that support physical and emotional wellbeing, and simple ways to keep themselves safe at home, school and in the wider community. These lessons help children develop an understanding of how to make healthy choices and recognise trusted adults who can help them stay safe. You are welcome to contact the school if you would like to view the planning and resources used in these lessons.

P.E:

P.E. is now on Thursdays. We will probably do these as outdoor sessions. We will also be continuing to have one session

per week with The Boury Academy during which we will do performing arts. These sessions will be on a Tuesday afternoon.

Natural Thinkers is on a Friday:

Natural Thinkers (our time in the garden) will continue to be on a Friday. Please continue to send your child in with wellies (and waterproofs) for our Natural Thinkers sessions if at all possible each Friday.

Reading Journals and Reading Books:

Please see the table below, reminding you which day your child should bring their Reading Journal and reading books to be changed. Please ensure your child brings back their old book so that we can give them a new one.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Aleyna Amari Anna Brodie Charlie Charlotte Doug Harry	Ianthe Inara Isaiah Jace Jonah Juno H Juno L Khaliya	Lonny Lydia Marly Mason Mathias Mischa Ozzy	Niana Nicholas Rukayah Ruth Samuel Teddy Valeria	Catch-up day.

Please don't forget to login to the Bug Club site and practise reading on there. Your child's login details are on the inside cover of their Reading Journal.

I have attached some more flashcards which can be cut out and gone through with your child whenever you like – many parents recommend doing them before school each day. They are all the sounds and non-decodable ('tricky') words we your child needs to have learned by the end of Reception and they will hopefully be starting to feel pretty confident saying them.

Family Maths Journals:

This is just a reminder that I take them in on a Friday and try to ensure your child gets them back the same day. Please find this term's Family Maths activities attached to this newsletter so that you have everything you need for the term. You can then choose which ones you would like to do, when. Please just stick in the sheet before the work so that I know which one you are doing as it is not always obvious.

Junk modelling and collage equipment:

We are very grateful for any junk modelling or collage materials you may accumulate over the week. Please do send in as much as you like as we will enjoy cutting and sticking and creating things with it. Please avoid sending in anything which has contained nuts.

Class Mascot and Diary:

Don't forget that if you would like to have Stripe on a specific weekend because you are doing something in particular, please do let me know and I will try to arrange it. We have LOVED hearing about her adventures thus far. Thank you.

Reading Morning:

Thank you to the many parents and carers who have been coming to the reading mornings. It is so lovely to see you all reading with your child and others. This term, reading mornings will continue to be on a Friday.

Dates for your diary:

12 th June, 2.30pm:	Reception Class Assembly – <i>Sharing A Shell</i> by Julia Donaldson
1 st July, 9.40am – 11.30am:	Reception Trip to Minet Library (tbc)
7 th July, 2.45pm – 3.10pm:	Reception performance of their singing and dancing learned with Boury Academy
8 th July, 10.30am-11.30am:	Reception Sports Day on the pitch at school
10 th July, 9.15am-3pm:	Reception trip to London Wetlands Centre
17 th July:	Last day of term, ending at 1.30pm

All the very best,
Reception Team