

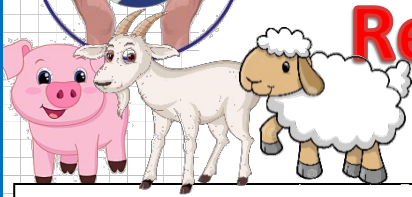


St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'

Reception Newsletter

Summer 1



Wow! It is the start of our summer term already. We are really looking forward to warmer weather and learning about the changes the children are able to see as the seasons change. Our learning challenge question this half term is "**What would we find at the farm?**" As part of this we will be learning about different farm animals, how farming areas are different to Shelton and how farming has changed over the years. We are going to be attempting to hatch some eggs at school and are hoping to visit a real farm too - keep a look out for more information in the next couple of weeks.

Phonics

The children continue to amaze us with their progress in phonics. 75% of the children are at or above where we expect them to be at this point in the year which is an enormous achievement for them.

As the children start to learn new sounds, there is a video for parents to help with their pronunciation.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3HRX2ywbog>



Maths

Last half term the children were learning about different 2D and 3D shapes. We have also been filling containers full, nearly full, half full, nearly empty and emptying them which has been lots of fun!

This half term we are going to be learning how to add by counting on, counting forwards and backwards, halving and sharing and starting to learn about odd and even numbers. Any support you can give your child at home is very much appreciated. 😊



Names in clothes

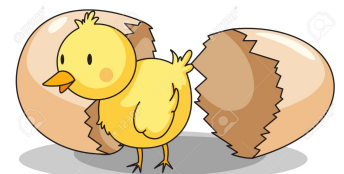
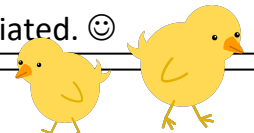
We are still having a lot of clothes left after PE lessons which is frustrating for parents and for us as we know how expensive uniform is. Please make sure children have their name written in **all** their clothes so that we can return any lost clothes easily.

Also, it is important that children have the correct P.E. kit in school which is a white t-shirt, black leggings / shorts / tracksuit bottoms, trainers / black pumps.



P.E

Rainbows will now have P.E. on a **FRIDAY** and Sunshines will have P.E. on **MONDAY**. Please make sure that children do not wear any earrings on P.E. days as they will not be able to take part in P.E. activities.



Reading

Last half term, the children in both Rainbows and Sunshines have been trying to read at home more regularly and the staff have been so pleased with the number of children who are achieving their reading treats at the end of the week. Please keep this up this half term! 😊

