

# Apple Class Newsletter

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## News / Information

Well, we have arrived at the end of another successful term. Last week was a series of highs! Watching the children engaged in independent story writing was a real pleasure. Their developing confidence and enthusiasm made my heart sing. Jon had a lovely morning with the class on Friday, using junk materials to build new homes for the Three Little Pigs. The squeals of laughter when they tested their creations (a big bad hairdryer) could be heard through the lobby. Jon was on quite a high when he left for home!! I will upload images on Twitter today.

As we end this topic, Sue, Jon and I are already preparing for next term. We haven't informed the class yet, but we felt there was no choice but to go with 'Beautiful Bugs'. So many of the children are fascinated by the many insects in our gardens (Amber and Isabel with be over the moon!!!). Watch out for the new Knowledge Organiser on our class page.

I am going to upload a lovely video of the class reciting our active story 'The Three Little Pigs'. It is a lovely example of how a class can perform a story.

Finally, the funds have been released from our Just Giving page. I have decided to give £200 to Sian and Jenny in Year one so that they can buy more books for Apple class when they move up – time to share the love!!

## Phonics

Revisit Phase 3 phonics during whole class sessions and guided reading activities.

I am noticing that although the children are beginning to read/recognise a tricky word. When applying in writing they appear to forget. Practise writing these Tricky words – you turn it into a fun game.

## What are we learning this week:

We are finishing our topic with the popular story 'The Hare and the Tortoise'. The children will revisit the theme of a story openings and sequencing a story with a beginning, middle and end. The class are loving making up their own stories and re-writing those we have covered so it will be another opportunity to put some writing into action! Alongside this the children are going to create a collaborative racecourse for the Hare and Tortoise. In maths we are revisiting shapes (2d and 3d) but this time we are investigating the concept of spatial awareness. The children will compose and decompose pictures and patterns using shapes. A great example of this is using Tangrams . There are

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lots of Twinkl activities and websites. [Tangram Builder – Mathigon](#)

On Friday we are reading 'The Emperors New Clothes' so the children are going to try their hand at being costume designers!

## Teacher Awards

Bea and  
Ewan

