

Apple Class Newsletter

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News / Information

What an amazing time the children had on Wednesday last week. They were so excited at the prospect of meeting an unusual range of insects. It definitely brought our topic to life. Marie and Megan were amazed at the children's knowledge of insects (proud moment for me!) and their willingness to handle the insects. Thank you for keeping the secret!

"A very busy day today, a trip to Bath to see Reception and year 1 classes. Today was a topic of beautiful bugs and wild and wonderful. Such a lovely school, probably received the best feedback I have ever had."
Marie

On Wednesday it is shuffle up day! The class will be spending the morning with their new teacher Georgie. In usual circumstances the classes would physically move into their new classrooms, however, this is not possible this year so instead, Georgie will be coming to Apple class. She is so excited to be teaching in Year One next year, and it is a lovely bonus that the children already know Georgie since her volunteering in term 1.

Phonics

This week we will begin Phase 4, it is a four-week programme. We will continue to revisit the Phase 3 phonemes and tricky words but will use these to introduce new concepts. This week we are looking at CCVC words (consonant, vowel, consonant consonant) such as swim and brush.

What are we learning this week:

This week we are using another lovely story from the author Eric Carle 'The Very Busy Spider'. It's about a spider that is so busy spinning a web that he will not be distracted by the farm animals, until the end when he catches a fly! The children will write a piece based upon their likes or dislikes of spiders. We hope to get a good debate going too. The children will also create a spider art, in the style of Eric Carle.

In maths we are revisiting directional language, such as forwards, backwards, left and right. The children will create maps, marble mazes using Lego and use the Bee Bot a programmable toy.

In PE we continue to play outside on the new astro-turfed area, all in preparation for our sports day next week.

On Friday we will go to Mike's Meadow to use natural found materials to create spider webs!

Teacher Awards

**Raphi and
Nola**

