#### Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a lovely week and enjoyed the sunshine and signs of spring. We hope that you have managed to explore 'Purple Mash' and '2 Build a Profile'. You are learning as much as we are and more guidance has been sent home today on using Purple Mash. You should have received an email from '2 Build a Profile' earlier this week. Please check your junk email folder if you haven't yet found it. We have already noticed that a few parents have accepted this already.

### **Our Daily Expectations**

These are the things that need to happen every day:

#### • 10 minutes Phonics.

This should include recapping of all the sounds, especially the digraphs and trigraphs, building CVC and CCVC words and tricky word recognition.

### • 15 minutes Number and Shape.

This could include counting forwards and backwards to 20, recognition of numbers, especially 10-20, ordering and sequencing, 1 more and 1 less than a given number. Names and simple properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

#### • 10 minutes Handwriting.

Continue to practice correct letter and number formation

- Reading with an adult.
- Please send evidence of your child's learning journey through Purple Mash and/or '2 Build Profile/Evidence Me'.

As mentioned before, we are aware that this may seem daunting but as we have said before, short bursts of sitting down learning, coupled with plenty of time for meaningful play is absolutely the best you can possibly do for your child right now.

**Best wishes** 

The EYFS Team

### Hello Bees!

We hope you enjoyed accessing your learning from the Activity Menu and Purple Mash last week? What did you find on your minibeast hunt?





Did you manage to plant any seeds? We have planted some runner bean seeds and now have to be patient whilst they begin to sprout! We have lots more fun learning ideas for you this week. We miss you all! With love from the EYFS Team

### Look out for Maybugs!

This is just the time of year that we need to look out for Maybugs. They are also called Cockchafers and are really interesting creatures measuring about 3cm long. They buzz and bump into windows at night as they are attracted to light and in the morning you might find them on the floor! The male Maybug has seven leaves on his antennae and the female has 6. They look like they have a sting but in fact this is to help push their eggs into the soil. These turn into grubs which can stay in the ground for 5 years - that is as old as you! If you make a minibeast home for one, their favourite food is oak leaves.









Count the leaves on this Maybug's antennae. Is this a male or a female?

How do you know?



Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen

Jasper learns to be patient in this story about a Beanstalk



Minibeast crafts you can try at home!







This weeks digraphs and trigraphs are: ai, ee, igh, oa, ar

How many words can you think of

with these sounds?

Can you write them

in a list?

Can you spot them in

your stories? \*

Can you make a rhyming word string?



## **KEEP ACTIVE!**

Use beanbags to practise aiming and balancing





Can you count in 2s? 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24



Have you noticed the trees and hedgerows full of blossom? Hawthorn blossom is called 'May'!

Use your Spotter Sheet to help you.



Our theme this week is about being a good friend ... we are all missing our friends at the moment. Talk to a grown up about what you think makes a good friend. Maybe you could draw a picture and write a message to give to one of your friends when we are allowed out again so they know you were thinking about them.

# Key words: my, she, of

Can you spot these words \*\*
when you are reading, listening
to and looking at stories? Can
you read them? Can you write
them in a sentence?

Can you recognise all these coins? How many 1p coins make 10p? How many make £1? How many different ways can you make 20p using these coins?

## Science Experiment to try at home!

You will need a clear jars or bottles with wide necks.

A piece of celery with the leaves on OR a white carnation or chrysanthemum (experiment with other plants too!)

Water and Food colouring.



What do you think will happen? Can you explain why you think this? Keep experimenting!



Don't forget to be creative with drawing, painting and junk modelling too!

Role play Toy shop - Many, many years ago when I was a little girl I used to love lining my toys up most to least favourite! Then attach a price ticket to each and role play shops! There is so much Maths here - addition, subtraction, sharing, counting in 2s, 5s 10s etc. Have fun in your own toy shop!







