

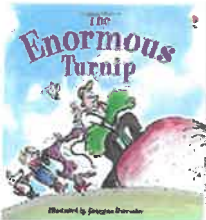
# Reception Newsletter

Monday 4th March 2019

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7 MARCH 2019

We will celebrate World Book day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of March. We can dress up as a character from our favourite book or wear our pyjamas and bring our best bed time storybook. We will be given a £1 voucher which could be used to get £1 off any full price book or swap for a World Book Day Book at any local bookseller.

Parents you can go on the official World Book Day website [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com) for lots ideas and resources that you could use with your child.



The story that we will be focusing on this half term will be “The Enormous Turnip”. By using a class story map we will try to to learn the words in the story. The story map will helps us with the sequence of the story. We will look at different types of vegetables and talk about what they might be called or whether we have tasted them before. We will sort vegetables into whether they grow above or below the ground. After that we may make some turinp soup and taste it . Yummy!!!!



Related to food, we will discuss foods that we can eat a lot of and foods that we should only eat a little of. We will do sorting activities and talk about why we put the particular food in the above chosen category. In our classes we will also talk about how we can stay healthy eg by drinking lots of water, by keeping active etc...



We will prepare our vegetable bed and our flower beds by clearing away all the weeds and loosening the soil so that it is well aerarated for the plants roots to grow quickly. Parents of you have any plants or seeds that we can grow then please bring them in so the chlidren can plant them in our garden.



We will grow plants in the classroom too. By looking after the plants we will learn what plants need to grow and observe the changes that take place as they grow.



This term, in Letter and Sounds all the Phase 3 sounds would have been introduced. At the moment we practicing are: ur for burger, or, for fork, ar for cards, oi for coin, and er for rubber. Next week we will learn ear for year, air for hair and ure for pure. The Phase 3 tricky words are: he she be we me you all are her was they my. The new high frequency words that we have been practicing to read and write are: will, that, this, then, them, with, now, down. We will be practicing reading and writing simple words and sentences with the above sounds and words.



In Maths we have been learning to compare and order 2 or more objects by direct comparison in terms of height, weight, capacity, length and size. We learnt to use the relevant vocabulary such as heavy, heavier, heaviest, light, lighter and lightest.

## Reminders

- Please support your child when doing the morning activity. We are learning to write our name and a high frequency or tricky word with a whoosh. Please come in at 8.50am so you have enough time to complete the morning activity with your child.
- PE is every Monday. All children need to bring in shorts and a t-shirt in a named bag.
- All items of clothing need to have your child’s name on.

## -Swimming Dates

| Rowan Class                        | Silver Birch Class              |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February | Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March  |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March    | Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March    | Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April  |



Please remember you child will need to bring in a swimming costume/trunks, swimming hat and a towel. All the kit needs to be in a named bag.

At home, you could:

- Compare different types of objects and use the relevant vocabulary eg the yellow string is **longer** than the red one.
- Make a list of the ingredients to buy to make turnip soup.
- look at food packaging and different types of foods. Discuss whether they are healthy or unhealthy foods.
- Go on a Spring walk, observe the changes that are taking place with plants.
- Practise writing the words with the digraphs that we have learnt so far.
- Make you own story bag of your favourite story to help you retell the story.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Reception Weight, Sight & Hearing Test

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Family Learning Cafe

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Multiskills Festival at Easton College

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April- Reception Easter Assembly & Craft, Easter Egg Hunt

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April- Easter Break

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - School opens

Practice retelling the story of The Enormous Turnip. Use the story map to help you remember the sequence and the words.

# The Enormous Turnip

