



Friday 17th May

**Harry  
and His Bucket Full  
of Dinosaurs**



This week we have continued our dinosaur theme by looking at Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs. The children have really impressed us with their imaginative writing this week. It's great to see so many children so confidently applying their phonics with more independent writing.

## Phonics

This week we have focused on revising tricky words. These form a really important element of early reading and we want our children to be as confident reading and spelling as many of these words ready for Year 1. We teach the children to talk about which parts are trying to trick us out. We have attached all of the learned tricky words for you to discuss at home together.

## Reading

Please can you make sure that your child has their yellow reading diary in school every day so we can record if they read in class. Please ensure Yellow books and reading books are always in on a Friday as this is our changeover day.

**Maths** We have been developing our understanding of adding and subtracting this week in maths. The children are really strengthening their understanding of numbers to 10. Next week we are exploring the properties and uses of shapes.

## P.E., Balanceability & Forest School

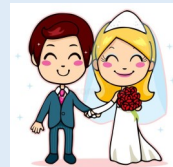
Both classes will have their final gymnastics session with our coach on Monday. Forest school and balanceability days will still continue as normal after the half-term holiday.

## Pedal, roll or stroll to school week

Next week, our Eco-councillors want to encourage as many children as possible to go green and travel to school by walking, cycling or scooting to school. Even if you are only able to do part of your journey this way by parking away from our school carpark, every journey will count towards a class total. The class with the most points at the end of the week wins a special prize!



Next Friday is going to be a very special day for Miss Wilkes who is getting married! We all send our love and congratulations to her and wish her the very best of luck for her special day! When we return after the half term holiday, Miss Wilkes will become Mrs Malone.



## Date for the diary...

We are provisionally planning to hold our **Reception Sports Day** on **Thursday 27th June** during the afternoon. We will aim to **begin at 2pm** and once the races have finished you can take your children home with you. Anyone unable to attend can pickup at the end of the day as normal. If the weather looks unfavourable, we will let you know about a new date.

Here is a full list of the tricky words taught this year. We teach the children that these should not be blended when reading.

We are also encouraging them to spell these words correctly when writing, with other writing we look for it to be phonetically plausible eg castle would be spelt as **casul** and **princess** would be **prinses**.

## Phase 2

is I the put as and has his her go  
no to into she he of we me be

## Phase 3

was you they my by all are sure  
pure

## Phase 4

said so have like some come love  
do were here little says there when  
what one out today