



Weekly Update



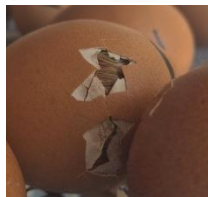
Weekly update 20th to 24th April

At last, a week of sunshine every day 😊 Please remember to bring a named sun hat every day for the rest of the term. If your child stays at nursery all day and you have filled out the permission form please bring in a named bottle of sun cream and we will support the children to apply this after lunch.

What a memorable week! Our chicks have hatched. On Wednesday we heard them “cheep cheep” from inside the eggs and the first chicks managed to create small cracks. Through the day we looked closely and saw them wriggling and gradually the cracks got bigger until the chick popped out. By the afternoon we had 3 chicks walking around, drying out their feathers in the incubator.

The anticipation of what we will find when we came in on Thursday morning was so exciting and we were surprised by 5 more chicks. That was 8 altogether.

Our fluffy new chicks have encouraged so much learning and discussion and we have even done some fabulous observational drawings. Some of the children had the chance to gently handle them after supporting an adult to clean their bedding. We have learnt about the lifecycle of a chicken noticing that it continues happening in a cycle. We will be learning and comparing more life cycles throughout this term as we observe and care for our plants as well as caterpillars and ladybirds.



Focus Words:
Notice
Route
Blend
Syllable
Life cycle

Next week 27th April – 1st May

We will continue to care for our chicks, making sure they have enough food and water and everyone will get the chance to handle them if they would like to. They will be leaving us on Friday 1st May.

We are continuing to listen for and clap out the syllables in words playing a game together. Continuing on from our observational drawings this week we will be focussing on the artist Cezanne. Using oil pastels to make observational art we will be blending colours.

At home...

Try some observational drawing at home. Either take a pencil and paper out when you visit somewhere new or focus on something you have at home. What shapes can you see? Draw alongside each other so you can provide a commentary out loud to model what you are doing. If you have pets at home we would love to hear about them (send in photos) and the children can tell us how you take care of them.

Managing Behaviour and Zones of Regulation workshop



This workshop will focus on some practical strategies for how to support regulation, understanding challenging behaviours and identifying and naming emotions (Zones of Regulation).

We will share some of the resources and strategies that we use in the setting that you can then use at home.

Monday 11th May- 9:15am- 10:15am
or
Thursday 14th May- 1:15pm- 2:15pm

The ZONES of Regulation

Blue Zone	Green Zone	Yellow Zone	Red Zone
Sad Bored Tired Sick	Happy Frustrated Calm Proud	Worried Frustrated Silly Excited	Overwhelmed/Out of Control Anxious Angry Terrified



Scan the QR Code to Book on to the workshops

Be ready for Reception



There's lots you can do at home to build you child's confidence and independence, helping them to feel emotionally and practically prepared to start school.

This term we will be running workshops for parents and carers of children starting school in September 2026.

Tuesday 23rd June from 1.15pm-2.15pm

Monday 29th June 9.15am-10.15am.



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