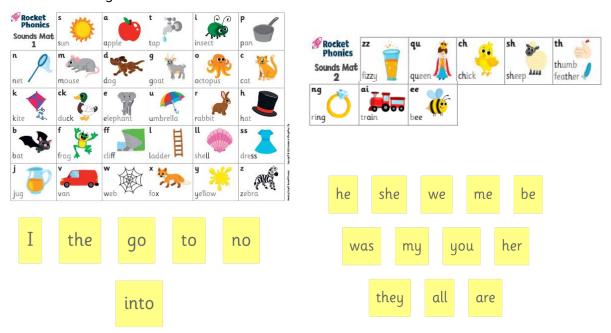


Dear Reception Parents,

Wow! We cannot believe that we are already two thirds of the way through the year. Time is flying by and the children have already achieved so much this year.

Over the last week, the children have been showing off just how much they have learnt so far this year! We have looked at their understanding of the Phonics sounds, blending CVC words, ability to recognise tricky words, write CVC words and sentences and their understanding of number and numerical pattern.

At this stage in the year, the children have been taught and are expected to remember the following sounds and tricky words:



If your child has any sounds or tricky words that they cannot quite remember yet, next week we will include them inside their reading diaries to continue practising at home. Please do spend some time practising these over the Easter holidays. It is imperative that the children know both their sounds and tricky words in order to progress in reading and writing. Thank you.

Our learning after the Easter holidays...

In Phonics we will be learning...

We will be continuing to understand and recognise digraphs (when two letters come together to make one sound). Next week, we will be introducing trigraphs (when three letters come together to make one sound).

- Sounds: **00** (moon) **00** (book)
- Reading and writing CVC words eg:
 book, moon, took, shook
- Writing simple sentences with a capital letter, finger space and full stop eg: The moon is big.

In Maths we will be learning...

- Count things that cannot be seen
- Revisit rules for how to count
- Discuss and practise strategies for counting larger sets.
- Make or represent their own collections of larger amounts.

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Literacy and Understanding the World

Our topic for next half term is Farms and Growing.

We will be learning about:

- The animals that you would find on a farm.
- Where food comes from (e.g. eggs come from chickens, milk comes from cows, beef comes from cows, pork from pigs, honey from bees etc)
- The jobs on a farm
- Food that we can plant and grow we will be planting sunflowers, runner beans and strawberries.
- Learning about fruit and vegetables that grow in other countries
- What a plant needs to grow

We will also be visiting Bocketts Farm on Tuesday 7th May! More information to follow.



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To the Ends of the Earth

Objective 1: Jesus went back to His Father.

Communication and Language

To develop the children's communication, language and vocabulary, each week we introduce two new words related to our topic that can be found in our book of the week. After half term, our words of the week will be:

farm grow

Please do discuss these at home with your child and encourage them to use them verbally in sentences.

Reminder

End of Term

Thursday 28th March – 12.05pm finish



Have a lovely Easter break!

See you on Monday 15th April ©