

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you like the new style of our newsletter. It is our aim to give you lots more information about what the children have been learning. Each week, the Year Group Leaders will be sharing information in our newsletter about what work the children have been doing. They may even include some pictures! Our Friends of Langtons Infants will publish their upcoming events and feedback here too. Please always remember to check our website for further dates for your diary.

Star Writers of the Week

Ash	Ella
Oak	Scarlett T
Cedar	Jamila
Elm	Summer-May
Maple	Aayan
Willow	Janelle



Maths Champions of the Week

Ash	Freddie
Oak	Luna
Cedar	Harper
Elm	Isabella
Maple	Stephany
Willow	Joe

Nursery Star of the Week

Rosie W for writing her name

**Well done to the following children who received the Headteacher's sticker!
Your postcard will be delivered shortly.**

Marcelo R, Shania F & Tajus P

ATTENDANCE

Please remember, you **must** inform the school by telephone or email on the first day of your child's absence. For safeguarding we require, in addition to your own contact details, at least two additional emergency contacts.



Our attendance target is 96%. The attendance so far this year is 94.54% which has, unfortunately, dropped compared to last week's 94.61%.

Yr R Ash	92%	Yr 1 Cedar	95.65%	Yr 2 Maple	95.71%
Yr R Oak	88.7%	Yr 1 Elm	91.9%	Yr 2 Willow	95.71%

Well done to Maple & Willow Classes!



Respect



Kindness



Determination



Tolerance



Resilience

Key Messages

Safer Internet Week

Next week is 'Safer Internet Week' and the children will be learning age appropriate information about how to stay safe online. This would be a great opportunity for you to have a conversation with your child about this subject.

Pop into the workshop on Tuesday 11th February at 9am for further information and support on internet safety.

Parking

We have had incidents where parents have parked not only across residents' drives but actually on them. This causes distress and upset and is totally unacceptable. There is parking available in Fentiman Way and Sainsbury's.

Uniform, etc. needed

We need tights, socks and uniform for ages 4-5 & 5-6. If you have any to spare, please hand them in to the office. Thank you!

PE KITS

Please check which day your child's class does PE and ensure that they have the correct PE kit. The weather is cold, so the children need PE kit for outside.

Friends of Langtons Infant School

The Friends of Langtons Infants are organising a Quiz Night (adults only) on 6th March at North Street Halls (the hall around the corner). Letters have gone out. Please return your reply slips to the office as soon as possible.

There will also be a raffle. If you have any unwanted Christmas presents you would like to donate, these will be gratefully received in the office and remember to bring some money on the night if you would like to buy raffle tickets.

On Friday 14th February there will be a cake/50p sale in the playground outside the hall stairs. Any donations for that will also be very welcomed. This will also be an opportunity for you to visit the Book Swap in the hall.

Remember...if you have any spare time and want to help us with our fundraising, please let us know. Our next meeting is at 2pm on Friday 14th February. Just come in if you can attend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	PARENTS INVITED
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day – parent workshop 9am	All parents invited
Monday 17 th February – Friday 23 rd February	Spring Half Term Holiday	-----
Monday 24 th February	Inset day - School closed to children	-----
Tuesday 25 th February	Back to school - Start of Spring 2 nd Half Term 19-20	-----
Tuesday 25 th February	Around the World Week	-----
Wednesday 26 th February	Around the World Dress Up Day No After School Clubs International Food Tasting in Hall after school 3-4.30pm – all parents	Children to dress up as someone from another country – donate £1 No After School Clubs Food Tasting – parents invited
W/b Monday 2 nd March	World Book Week	-----
Tuesday 3 rd March	Bedtime Stories 4.15-5.15pm	Children to come back to school in their pyjamas – letter with further details to follow
Tuesday 3 rd March	Book Fair in school	Details to follow
Wednesday 4 th March	Willow Class to visit Hornchurch library 1pm	Parent helpers needed – please speak to your child’s class teacher
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – Dress up as a book character	Children to dress as a book character – donate £1
Thursday 5 th March	Nursery to visit Hornchurch Library 1pm	Parent helpers needed – please speak to your child’s class teacher

Dates For Your Diary

***Please note, further dates for your diary are available on our website.
Please check regularly.***



Nursery News



Our Topic – What’s in the Garden?

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Bunn Helen Oxenbury

Talk for Writing –We’re Going on a Bear Hunt.



In talk for writing we have been making our own story map and acting out the story.

Minibeasts



This week we enjoyed creating butterflies using different coloured paints. We have also been experimenting with colours. We have been looking at how colour can change when another colour is added.



In Mathematics, we have been using different shapes and construction pieces to create homes for our minibeasts. We have also been learning about our number and shape of the week. This week we created our own helicopter stories. The children were encouraged to think of their own story. We then acted out their story by taking turns to play different characters.



You may have had a little visitor sent home with you during the week. We have two hedgehogs in class called Steve and Charlie. The hedgehogs will be sent home for one night only. Please talk to your child about their journey home from school. Children will then be encouraged to share what they have observed with their peers. Steve and Charlie will be sent home weekly so that everyone has a chance to spend some time with them.



Library Books – Please come into Nursery to change your library book as often as you like.

Next Week:

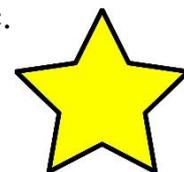
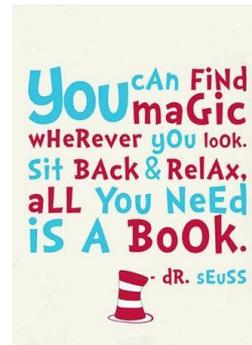
Number of the Week: 5

Encourage your child to look for the number 5 on their journey home from school. This could be on a bus, a front door, shop number etc.

Shape of the Week: Star

Look for shapes in the environment. What can you find?

Thank you for your continued support!



Reception News

Our Topic

This week we have been learning to make up our own stories. We changed the main character in the story 'The Naughty Bus' to the 'Naughty Van'. We changed the main events and the ending of the story. We made wanted posters and traps to catch the Naughty Van.



Literacy

This week we have learnt the sounds 'th' and 'ng'. We have been learning to read the words 'he' 'she' 'we' 'be' and 'me'. Next week we are going to be learning to read the word 'was'. These are common exception words, which you cannot sound out. The sounds we are going to be learning next week are 'ai' and 'ee'. **Please make sure that your child's reading log is in their book bag every day and you are writing comments in your child's log. Please make sure you continue to read with your child for a few minutes each day. You may also like to play some phase 2/3 games on Phonics Play online.**

Mathematics

This week we have been learning to add two single-digit numbers e.g. $3 + 4 = 7$. We have been learning to represent the numbers using marks and our fingers.

Thank you for your support!

The Reception Team ☺

Year 1 News

Our English book is 'Meerkat Mail'; Sunny the meerkat tries to find a new home by visiting lots of different places!

We had a look inside his suitcase to see what he had packed for his journey! We thought about if he was visiting a cold or a hot climate. What do you think? Have a look at what was inside.

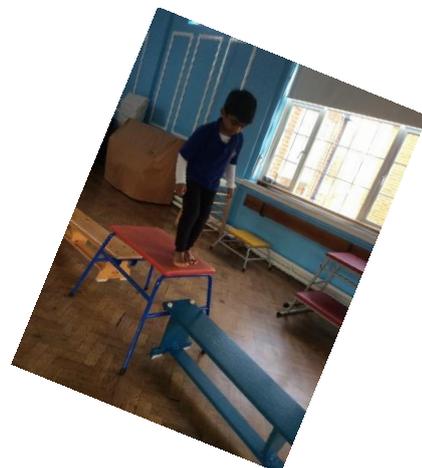


We have used adjectives and noun phrases to describe the settings that Sunny visits.

In Maths we have been using the language of more than, less than and equal to. We know that more is bigger, less is smaller and equal to means the same. We have used number cards, numicon, cubes and dienes to help us with our learning.



In our P.E. lessons we have practised our gymnastics skills, thinking about the different ways that we can travel. We have used equipment in the hall such as mats, benches and the climbing apparatus.

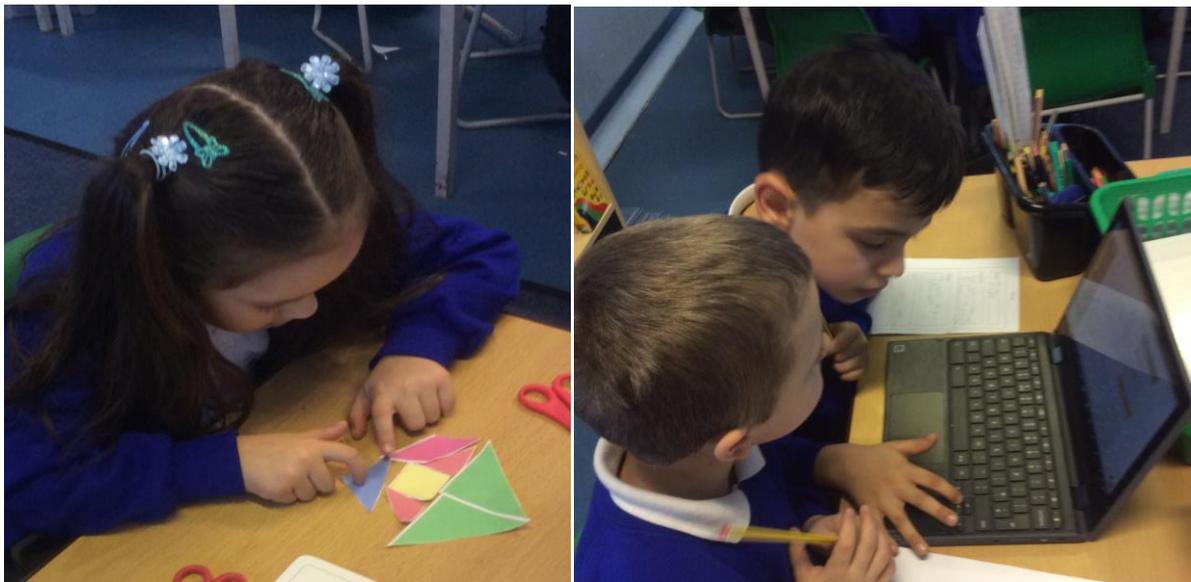


Year 2 News

Last Week:

Maths: We made 2D shapes using elastic bands. We named the shapes by counting the sides. We explored Chinese Tangrams and investigated how to make 5 different sized triangles.

English: We finished writing stories based on 'Into the Forest'. We imagined the different characters we might encounter when walking through the forest. Then we explored which animals lived in the English woodland habitat. We chose one animal to research and used the Chromebooks to find information.



Next Week:

Maths: We will be using mathematical vocabulary to describe 2D and 3D shapes such as sides, corners, edges, vertices, faces, curved, straight.

R.E./English: We will be reading a variety of stories from the Qur'an and exploring the messages and morals the stories tell.