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MILLFIELD  
PRE-PREP SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



## RECEPTION

### SIGNS OF SPRING

Reception class have been searching for signs of spring. They decided to keep some of the spring flowers in their own flower presses, to make into book marks. Reception class have also been looking at 3D shapes. They have been hunting for 3D shapes around the classroom and adding them to the chart. The children worked very well together. Well done, Reception.



## PRE-SCHOOL - FROGS

### HOME SWEET HOME

The Frogs were set a challenge! They had a miniature photograph of themselves and had to build their smaller self a house using anything they could find in the Pre-School. Using a variety of different materials, the Frogs set about the task in hand and created some amazing houses. There were houses with trampolines in the garden, attics, courtyards, chimneys and voice controlled doors! They even numbered their houses as well. Building houses carried on into their outside play and the children created animal and bug homes using twigs and leaves.



## DIARY DATES



### Monday 3 May

Bank Holiday Monday – School Closed

## SUNCREAM

As the weather continues to improve, please send your child into school with a named sun hat and apply sun cream in the morning. Sun cream may also be brought into school in a named bottle, to be applied during the day.

## THE BIG ASK

The new Children's Commissioner for England has today launched The Big Ask – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Please take a look through [this survey](#) with your children to help them to fill it in.

Parents, care leavers and those working with children are also invited to complete the [adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.



## STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to this week's Pre-Prep Stars of the Week, who will receive a certificate from Mr Jory:

### Pre-School

Josh K  
Rufus S

### Year 1

Teddy P  
Isobel R

### Reception

Marilin P  
Finn S

### Year 2

Matilda R-C  
Fizzy O



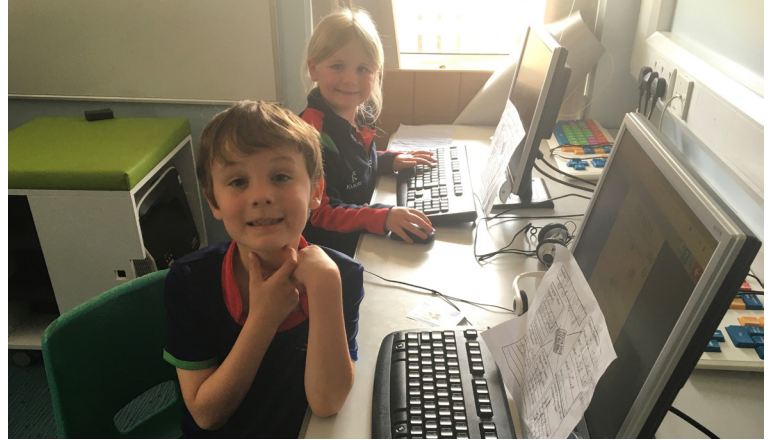
## PLANTING POTATOES

It is the growing season and Year 1 have been busy planting potatoes. They worked with their talking partner to put compost in the plant pots, then popped in their potato. It is lovely to see the children coming to school each morning, checking to see if they have grown before they enter the classroom. The children are also planting their own mini allotment box - watch this space for more gardening news!



## BUDDING JOURNALISTS

Year 2 have been wowing Mrs Robbins and Mrs Trenner in Literacy with their brilliant journalistic skills. They have been reading *Dinosaurs* and *All That Rubbish* and the children were tasked with writing their own newspaper reports, remembering the key criteria for a successful and exciting news read. They have been writing up their final drafts using PurpleMash on the computer, improving their typing skills. Great work Year 2!



### PRE-SCHOOL - TADPOLES

## PRETTY PAINTINGS

The Tadpoles have made use of the beautiful Pre-Prep gardens in the sunshine, playing and making new friends. They all worked together to make paint a big collaborative picture to display their lovely insect paintings. Well done Tadpoles!



### MINIS

## WELCOME BACK MINIS!

A huge welcome to all the old and new Minis for a term of fun! Our Monday and Tuesday Minis had a fantastic time getting to know each other as well as getting messy! The children rolled diggers down ramps and raked soil in our construction zone, added colours and clouds to our sticky rainbow and made some great paintings in our All About Me area. We finished with some super singing from both Minis and parents!

