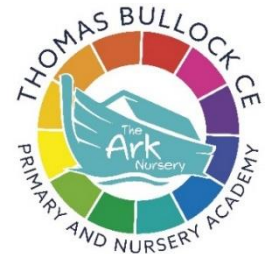


The Ark Nursery Newsletter



This week

What a wonderfully busy week we have had in Ark Class!

We have been practising saying and writing our new sounds 'l' and 'h'. We have enjoyed our final week learning all about transport and retelling the story of 'The Train Ride'! The children particularly enjoyed reading the book as a song. Here is a link, if you would like to listen at home: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jHbE8kaBDKU> In maths, we have been exploring mass. Linked to this, we also looked at floating and sinking. Thank you to the mums / aunts / nannies who were able to make our Mother's Day stay & play – the children enjoyed sharing our wonderful classroom environment and various Mother's Day activities with you. After listening to Mr Johnson's British Science Week assembly on Monday, we were super excited to be scientists ourselves for the week. We have explored all seasons, with a focus on the season we are heading into: spring. As well as this, we have observed the signs of spring we could spot out in our outdoor areas: blossom, daffodils, birds, nests, green leaves, buds etc. Back in our classroom, we looked at the different parts of a flower. We went to see the chicks and can't wait for them to visit our classroom so we can watch and hold them next week! We gathered lots of different objects from around the classroom, using our predicting skills to predict whether they would float or sink. We then explored this ourselves during independent learning time! As well as all of this, we have learnt even more about transport, looking at photos of and talking about our own experiences too.



Next week

In phonics, we will be learning new sounds 'r' and 'j'. Our literacy learning will focus around the story book 'Stomp, Dinosaur, Stomp'. In maths, we will explore capacity, with lots of hands on learning along the way! During our afternoons, we will begin our learning all about dinosaurs. We will also be talking further about Easter, as well as learning how things work – exploring cause and effect toys and using tools.

Learning links at home

- At the sink or in the bath, play with a selection of different-sized containers. Can you fill and empty the containers? Can you show a container that is full, nearly full, nearly empty and empty?
- Take one container and fill it with water, rice or pasta. Can you find another container that would hold more? Can you find a container that would hold less? Can you put the containers in order?