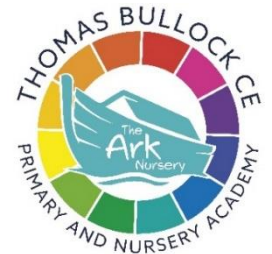


# The Ark Nursery Newsletter



## This week

We've had another busy week in Ark Class. We have been watching the frogspawn grow little tails and the tadpoles have been getting larger and larger, with signs of little legs beginning to grow too! We observed and gently held the chicks, exploring their life cycles as well. During phonics, we have learnt sounds 'r' and 'j' this week. We've been exploring the story of 'Stomp, Dinosaur, Stomp', repeating phrases and thinking about what the footprints in our classroom might be from. We learnt all about capacity during our maths sessions, using the water and sand to experiment ourselves, repeating our new vocabulary. During our afternoons, we have talked all about life cycles, Easter, dinosaurs, forces (pushing and pulling), fossils and weather (specifically the weather that creates rainbows!) We also really enjoyed our PE with Mrs Greenland!



## Next week

Next week, we will be recapping the sounds we have learnt so far in phonics. We will begin our learning based around the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', but will also be introduced to the story 'We're Going on an Egg Hunt' too! During our maths sessions, we will consolidate our learning from this half term. We will learn the differences in our families and our own appearances. We will also have lots of Easter themed activities, as well as our Easter service at the church on Wednesday afternoon. We will host an Easter themed stay & play on Monday 2-3pm.

## Learning links at home

- Go for a walk or visit a farm or park. What animals did you see? Can you see any flowers growing? You could take some photos or draw a picture of something.
- Which animals come from eggs? Talk about baby animals and how to care for them.
- We have introduced the touch screen chromebooks to the children this week. We've practised navigating them, as well as playing some counting games. A particular favourite of ours was the ladybird spot counting game: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/ladybird-spots>. Have a practise at home!



