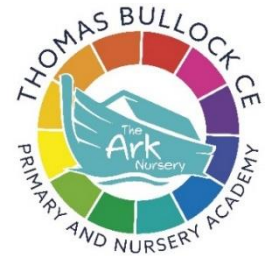


The Ark Nursery Newsletter



This week



Our caterpillars are continuing to grow – we think they'll form their chrysalis' soon! We have been consolidating the sounds we have learnt so far in our phonics sessions. We have continued retelling our story of 'The Runaway Pea', using our class and individual story maps, giving meaning to the marks we make as we go. During our maths sessions, we learnt all about 2D shapes. We have planted our very own runaway peas and look forward to caring for them and watching them grow. Alongside this, we explored the life cycle of a pea, as well as frogs, caterpillars and humans too! All of our plants are growing by the day – we are super excited to come in and check these each day!



Next week

Next week is World Bee Day! Alongside lots of bee craft activities, we will also explore the life cycle of bees and a range of facts. We will begin learning special friends in our RWI phonics sessions, applying this new knowledge while segmenting and blending to read green words. We will also begin our daily letter formation and writing practise. Our new literacy focus book is 'Oliver's Fruit Salad', however, we will also read lots of other fruit themed books alongside this! During our maths sessions, we will recap 2D shapes and begin to explore

3D shapes too. We will use our new fruit knowledge during our afternoons also, with creative and explorative activities. We will also begin placing significant events on our huge class timeline, after learning all about the different stages of life and looking at and comparing our baby photos.

Learning links at home

-Collect different shaped recycling e.g. cereal boxes, tissue boxes, cardboard tubes, empty tubs etc. Then, get junk modelling! Use cello tape, masking tape or glue to join the containers together to make different creations. Will you make a rocket ship? Or maybe you could build a tower for Rapunzel!

-Draw some of the shapes we have learnt about this week. Can you remember their names? How many sides do they have? How many corners?

-Look at the different types of fruit in the supermarket. Which ones can you name? Which is your favourite? What colours can you see?