



# HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## EARLY YEARS NEWSLETTER

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021



### Ready for the holiday!

The children have been brilliant this week but they are definitely ready for a break! They have been working so hard this week and we've made the most of the gorgeous weather and spent much of our time learning outside. We've continued to care for our potatoes this week, checking the soil and monitoring their growth, looking for changes each day. Over the Easter holidays, please remember to water your sunflower seeds and let us know if you see any signs of growth.

### Our learning this week

In phonics work this week we have recapped the sounds **s, a, t, p, i, n, c, d, m, o, g, k, e, u, r, g, ck, h, b, f, ff, ss, l, ll, j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu, ch, sh, ng, th, ai, ee, oa, oi, oo, oo, or, ar, igh, ur, ow, air, er** and **ear**. We have revised and practised the tricky words **go, no, I, to, the, into, we, me, be, was, you, her, all, my, they, said, so** and have introduced the new tricky words **some** and **come**.

The children have been learning to write ccvc words by covering the beginning of words and then revealing the whole word: rip, trip/rack, track etc...

In our literacy work, we have been retelling the story 'Something Else' on a story map. The children re-told the story and wrote sentences for the beginning, middle and end to correspond with pictures from the book.

We have been talking about other cultures and religions this week and have looked at the festival of 'Holi' and have learned how this is colourfully celebrated! We have talked about why Christians celebrate Easter and have talked about what everyone understands about Easter.

During our maths sessions, we have been learning all about part whole models to show the composition of different numbers and that different combinations of numbers can equal the same amount.

It was great to see everyone in all their own clothes for 'Maths Day' today! We've had a great day filled with number hunts, maths games and Lego challenges.

In P.E. we played our 'Space' warm up game that we learned last week. We played a catching and throwing game and tried to be speedy and accurate so we could beat the other teams.

In Spanish this week, we completed our rainbows and practised our colours. We're getting really good at the rainbow song.

### Homework

There's no official homework but we'd love to see what you get up to over the Easter holidays so don't forget to post what you get up to on Tapestry. Don't forget to keep working through NumBots too!

### Reading

As we mentioned last week, you can keep your reading books until after Easter and don't forget you still have access to the online reading scheme Oxford Owl. We have sent home some reading comprehension and tricky word practice for you to have a go at next week and over the holidays too.

### Lunches

The first week back will be Week 2 for lunches.

Please remember to send in a named water bottle each day as the children use these at lunch time as well as during the day.

### Warmer Weather

When we return in the summer term, we hope to be blessed with some sunny weather so please could you send children in with a sunhat or cap each day and don't forget to apply **long lasting** sun cream if the weather is looking good.

Water bottles will be essential in the summer term too! We will refill all bottles after lunch to ensure their water hasn't run out or become too warm to drink.

We hope you all have a lovely, restful break and manage to get some long overdue catchups with family and friends now we are all able to meet in small groups. Enjoy yourselves and make sure you eat too many Easter eggs!



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### Contacting us

Unfortunately, we are not able to invite you in to school under the current Covid restrictions but you can email us at [earlyyears@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:earlyyears@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk) if you have any issues or queries and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively you can contact the office at [admin@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)