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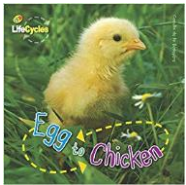
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Dear Parents/Carers



Our topic in Reception is 'Growing and Hatching'.



Our topic focuses on growing, life cycles of plants and animals as well as seasonal changes. We have an exciting couple weeks ahead of us with the arrival of some eggs and chicks for the children to observe hatching and then to take care of. We will also be planting flowers, observing seeds and engaging in a lot of outdoor learning.

Literacy – Getting the children ready for Year 1 we will be focusing on sentence writing and using our phonic knowledge to read and decode texts. We are practicing using finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. We will be sending home an E-book each week which your child can access via their Big Cat Collins log on as well as the hard copy books we usually send home weekly.

Phonics – We are moving onto Phase 4 phonics which focuses on CVCC and CCVC words (C=consonant, V=vowel) such as help, stop, plop. The E-books set via Big Cat Collins will focus on our learning from last term, looking at digraphs and ensuring your child is fluent and consistent in recognising these within words.

Mathematics – Our focus is money, addition and subtraction and doubling. We will teach children the different coins and use these in simple addition/subtraction sums, practicing paying with money in role play. We will practice our recent learning of counting in 2's, introduce 5's and 10's as well as begin to double numbers.

PE – Our PE day is changing to a Friday afternoon. We will be doing gymnastics indoors, using the apparatus and learning sequences. Please send your child to school every Friday in their indoor PE kit (shorts and t-shirt) with some black/blue jogging bottoms over the top to keep them warm until our lesson.

Upcoming dates

- 9th May 2022 – Eggs and chicks arrive for 2 weeks.
- 9th May 2022 – Class trip to Wolesley Center

Thank you
Mrs Farrell
EYFS Phase Leader

