



## Upcoming Events

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Reception trip to Wimbledon Common

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery trip to Fulham Palace Gardens, 9am-12pm

# Eaglet News

Wow! What a fascinating and awe-inspiring week we've had celebrating science! The theme for this year's Science Week was 'Growth', so Early Years have looked at human, plant, and mould growth. We carried out some investigations to explore and consolidate our understanding of this scientific knowledge.

We learnt that mould is not a plant or animal. Mould is a fungus! We discussed how mould travels through the air as spores before landing and beginning to grow. In Reception, we observed mould growing on bread and made predictions about what the bread would look like at the end of the week. In Nursery, we looked at the growth of mould on an orange and decorated pictures to represent the mould growing.

We learnt what plants need to grow and the different stages of a plant's life cycle. We planted our own beans in a bag and observed them every day for a week to see if they grew. In Reception, we created seed bombs to plant on our trip to Wimbledon Common. In Nursery, we drew pictures to show someone how to look after a plant.

We looked at how we grow from babies and the differences between babies and adults. We also discussed different skills humans can learn at each stage in their lifecycle. In Reception, we measured our own growth by creating a time capsule containing string the length of our current height. At the end of Reception we will open our time capsule and compare! In Nursery, we met baby Violet and compared her behaviours and abilities to our own, thinking about how we have developed and grown.

## Reminders

### Tissues and Junk Modelling

Early Years would appreciate donations of tissues and junk modelling materials, e.g. cardboard boxes of different sizes, yoghurt pots, trays, and other plastic containers, toilet roll tubes, bubble wrap, etc.

### Uniform

We are again building up an alarming quantity of unnamed uniform. We appreciate that lost uniform is frustrating for parents, but there is little we can do when uniform remains unnamed. This is taking up an inordinate amount of teaching time for staff. PLEASE ensure all items of uniform are clearly labelled and talk to your children about taking responsibility for their own belongings.

### Nursery trip to Fulham Palace Gardens

Please ensure you have read this week's letter regarding the upcoming Nursery trip to Fulham palace Gardens. We are in need of 5 parent volunteers. Please speak to Miss England if you can help.

## Stars of the week

Nursery – John



RM - Dalia



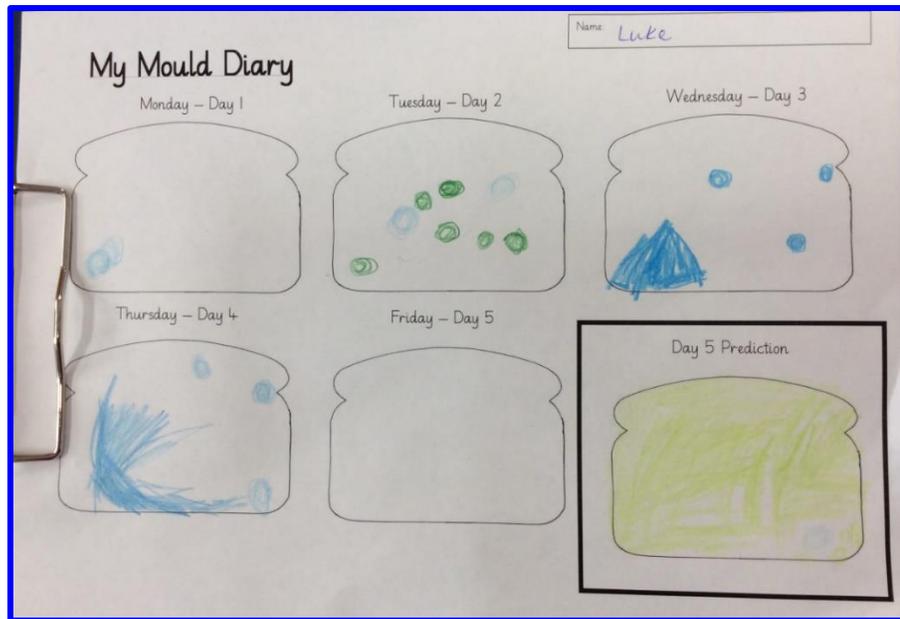
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# Reception

## Our learning

This week in pictures



Reception have been recording their observations of mould growth on a slice of bread, noticing and comparing changes.

### Next week

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be talking about 'stranger danger' and the importance of keeping safe.

#### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be looking at a new book linked to our upcoming trip to Wimbledon Common.

#### Mathematics

We will be looking closely at subtraction to cement our understanding of composition of number.

#### Understanding of the World

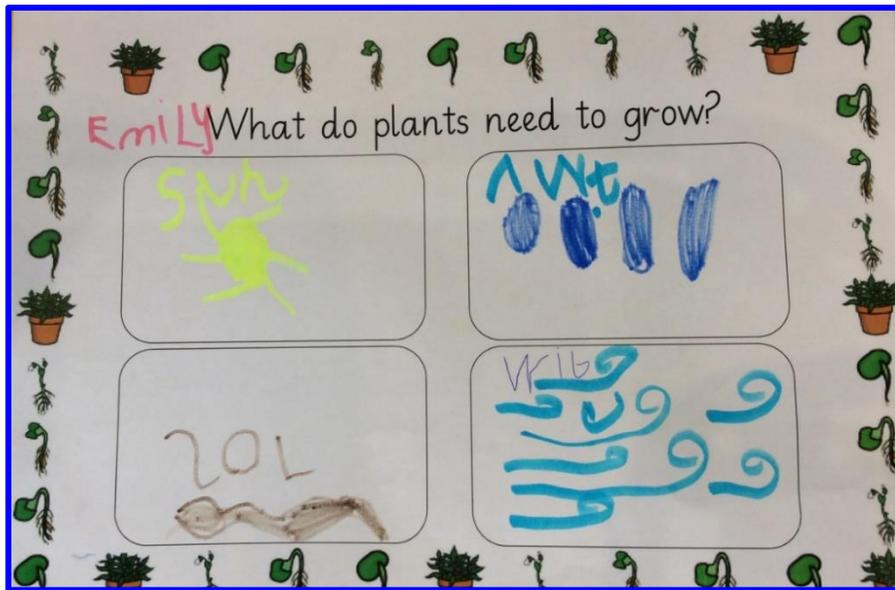
We will continue to explore living things and life-cycles, thinking about what new life we might see in spring time.

#### Expressive Art and Design

We will be exploring drawing skills and colour choice as we visualise a character from our focus book.



# Nursery



Nursery have been learning what plants need to grow. We would also like to extend a big THANK YOU to Teddy's Mum and baby Violet for visiting!

## Next week

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be exploring the topic of 'stranger danger' and talk about keeping safe.

### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be exploring the season of spring. We will look at a variety of fiction and non fiction books to develop our understanding of changes in spring. In phonics we will continue to look at single letter sounds.

### Mathematics

We will be learning to name and recognise the months of the year.

### Understanding of the World

We will discuss the signs of spring, looking at animals, plants and weather. We will look at the changes that occur within the natural world.

### Expressive Art and Design

We will be looking at the skill of texture.