# Reception Newsletter Class RB

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Welcome back! We hope you've had a lovely Easter.

## Learning at home

We are always looking for ways to share the children's learning at home. To help us keep up to date with your child's learning and development we would like to hear what they have been doing at home and if they have any new interests and achievements. Please write a brief comment in the boxes on the accompanying leaflet - you don't need to write something in each box, just add a comment where needed. Thank you!

# Communication and Language

The children always enjoy our Book Reading sessions. They come into school on Monday eager to find out what our book will be. They are all developing a real love of books which will hold them in great stead as they move up through school. Our focus book this week is 'Katie Morag and the Big Boy Cousins' which has leads nicely into talking about and studying different environments.



#### Town Visit

This term we're looking forward to exploring our local environment. This will include a trip into town to look at the different types of shops and occupations. We will be looking for parent helpers to accompany us on the day (Tuesday  $15^{th}$  May). Please please let us know if you can help.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The Super Friend scheme continues in class with the children continuing to take turns, share and be encouraged to sort out problems between themselves before turning to an adult to help them.



# Barker Bear

This term we are introducing 'Barker'. The children can invite Barker to come home with them. Barker has a diary which they can write or draw in to remind him of his time with them. We look forward to sharing his news with the class each morning. Please help your child to remember to return Barker the next day, along with all his belongings.

#### ICT

The children are already very adapt at using electronic items such as the iPad to take photos of their own work. This term they will also be accessing the ICT suite on a weekly basis to further develop their ICT skills through the use of computers.

#### Show and Tell

The theme for Show and Tell will be opposites and are as follows

Week beginning:	23.4.18	something heavy and something light
	30.4.18	something wide and something narrow
	7.5.18	something hard and something soft
	14.5.18	something smooth and something rough

21.5.18 something special

Your child's Show and Tell day is Tuesday/Thursday (please make sure the objects are small enough to fit in their book bag). Thank you.

## Physical Development

PE will be on Thursdays. Being able to get dressed quickly and independently is a really important part of the Early Years curriculum. Please support your child by encouraging them to dress independently as much as possible.

### Maths



In Maths we will continue to build on the children's knowledge and understanding of numbers. We will also explore the concepts of halving, sharing and subtraction. The role play area has been changed into a Pet Shop so will give the opportunity to recognise and use coins.

# Literacy

Phonics continues to be a high priority in class. Daily lessons recap over the speed sounds that have been learned, along with the developing skill of spotting these sounds within words and being able to read and write sentences. Children are always encouraged to form letters correctly when producing written work. It's been lovely to watch their developing confidence in this area.

#### Rainbow Challenge

The children will complete a range of 'Rainbow Challenges' independently throughout the week, which will include a wide variety of activities from reading, writing and number to art and design.

## How can you help?

- ✓ Complete 'Learning at home' information
- ✓ Read reading book regularly.
- ✓ Practise counting forwards and backwards to 20, starting from ANY number.
- ✓ Play board games using 2 dice, counting and adding.
- ✓ Familiarize your child with everyday coins 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, £1, £2

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Burrell, Mrs Bendelow, Miss Bryan and Mrs Wilson