

Reception Newsletter 27th May 2022

Dear parents/carers,

This week we have been:

- Continued our learning on space! We loved our visit to the planetarium. Thank you so much for all the cake sale donations. It was a really interesting and beneficial experience and we loved it. We asked lots of questions, including "What did the world look like before space?" and "How was space made?".
- Learning about composing and decomposing shapes. We had a look at some interesting pictures with hidden shapes, and also made our own shape pictures.
- Learning about the Queen, Platinum Jubilee, and Canada! We made some Canadian flags, painted portraits of the Queen, and made beautiful crowns to wear on our picnic.
- Writing about what we would do if we were Queen or King. Some very interesting responses like "If I was Queen I would make mummy tidy her bedroom!"
- Had a fantastic Platinum Jubilee Picnic and Celebrations. Thank you so much for such a wonderful time! Pictures and videos to come on Tapestry!

After half term we will be:

- Starting our new topic of traditional tales and story telling. We will be reading "Jack and the Beanstalk" and rewriting the story to consolidate all our learning throughout the year!
- Starting our new numeracy topic of measurement. We will be learning about capacity and thinking about key language such as "empty/full", "nearly empty/full", "not empty/full", "half empty/full".
- Revisiting other traditional tales we already know, such as Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Little Red Riding Hood, and some adaptations of these stories across the world.

You can help at home by:

- Reception and Nursery will go on a trip to Little Hampton Beach on the 21st of June! If you would like to volunteer, please contact the office.
- A friendly reminder that toys/football cards are not allowed in school. This is only to prevent any upset in case they get lost. Thank you!
- Reading some fairy tales and talking about the characters choices in the stories.

A parent mail would have been sent home about our Little Hampton Beach trip on Tuesday 21st June. If you would like to volunteer, do email the office.

A note for Butterflies Parents: Butterflies will continue practising for their workshare assembly, all about space, which will take place on Friday 10th of June! Please could your child practise their line for assembly, which **will be posted on tapestry**. Also a reminder to dress up in space/star/glittery/astronaut outfits for the workshare on the 10th of June. Thank you all :-)

Have a lovely half term, Sarah, Katie and the Early Years team.