



Reception Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2026



Weekly Message

This week we have continued to focus on life cycles, specifically the life cycle of a frog and explore their process of metamorphosis. We enjoyed starting to learn about plants and their life cycle by reading the story *The Tiny Seed* and discussing the process of germination. We created our own plants using different crafts to represent the parts of the plant, such as string for the roots and green pipe cleaners for the stem.

We have enjoyed using natural items such as petals and sticks to create our own flower pictures. We learnt a song to help us remember what a seed needs to grow into a plant, you can listen to it [here!](#) We then planted our own runner beans and will look after them and observe their growth to see them flower and produce runner beans.

House Teams: This week your child was sent home with their house teams (Sun, Earth, Fire or Water). These are the teams that your child will be in throughout their time at Sheringdale. There will be a PTA T shirt sale, where you can purchase a house team top (Sun - Yellow, Fire - red, Earth - Green and Water - Blue).

A peek at the week

Next week, we will be busy planting potatoes, strawberries, carrots and herbs and we will be writing instructions on how to care for a plant. We will also be learning about what plants need to grow and stay healthy, and what can happen if they don't get what they need.

EYFS Donations

- Dried pasta and rice
- Old flowers
- Flour

Home learning

Please could you continue to practice to make 10 in different ways with your child, for example by using everyday objects, counting on fingers, or spotting groups of numbers in familiar patterns. This will help to reinforce their learning and build their confidence.

Reminders

Summer trip: We will be going to Bird World on the 3rd June. You will be sent a letter soon with more information

