

# Reception Newsletter



## Welcome to the Summer Term at Colmers Farm Primary School

Term 3  
April newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,  
Welcome back after the Easter break. We hope you have had a wonderful time with your families now that the lockdown rules have eased slightly. We hope that you and your children are well rested and ready to start the new term, the last one in Reception.

This half term we are learning about 'Growth'. We will be learning about different things that grow. We will be looking at growing our own healthy foods and the life cycle of different animals. (Look out for a special delivery in May)

After half term, we will be learning about 'People', different people and their jobs. We will be looking at explorers, and people who help us, for example doctors, dentists and fire fighters

### Important Dates

Thursday 22nd April  
School photographs

w/c Monday 10th May  
Living Eggs arrive

w/c Monday 31st May  
Half Term

Tuesday 20th July  
End of term

### Maths

This term we will be focusing on calculating with addition, subtraction, doubling and halving. We will also be looking at shape and pattern.

Please help your child at home by encouraging them to complete their maths and English homework each week. The homework will be something that they have covered in school that week and therefore they should be able to complete it at home. On the reverse of the maths homework sheet there will be a brief adult explanation to help you support your child at home.

### English

This half term in English, we are learning about growing. We will be looking at the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will be growing our own beanstalks and other plants throughout the topic. We are also going to read the book 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. This will introduce the children to life cycles ready for when our 'Living Chicks' arrive.

Next half term, we will move onto looking at People. We are going to be looking at explorers and people who help us, so our stories and writing will be based around those topics.

If you have Jack and the Beanstalk at home, please read it with your child, if not there are some YouTube videos of people reading the story which would be great to watch.

### PE

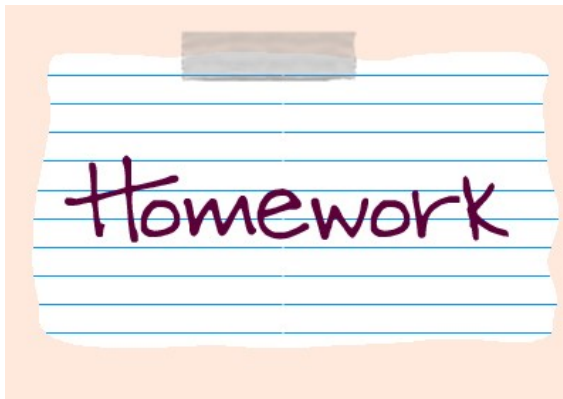
This half term RF will be doing PE every Monday afternoon. Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit.

### Forest School

This half term RC will be going to Forest School every Monday afternoon. Please send your child into school wearing their Forest School kit. They also need a pair of wellies to keep in school, please label these clearly.

### Our topic for this half term is 'Growing'.





### Homework

Each child now has 2 books in their book-bag! Please read the Read, Write Inc Sound Blending with your child everyday as this is linked to the sounds they have learnt in school. The Oxford Owl book is their challenge book which should be read with them as extra reading.

A great way to help your child is to ask them questions about the books or show them real life versions of some of the words.

The children will also receive two other pieces of homework each week to help them practice the learning they have been doing in school.

The reception team would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support this year. This year has been unlike any year we have ever known and we would like to thank you for your patience and support throughout. The children have made fantastic progress whilst at home accessing the home learning and parents you have done a fantastic job.

We can't wait for this term to see just how much our wonderful children learn and grow over this period.

Thank you!