

**Maths**  
 In maths reception will be exploring doubles, odd and even numbers and 3D shapes. Children in nursery will be exploring quantities, positional language and shape. You could support your child at home by talking about the position of objects e.g. the bag is under the table.

**Literacy**  
 In Reception we will be reading a selection of books and using our phonics in our writing. In drawing club we will be exploring books, tales and animations such as The Pod-dington Peas, Jack and the Beanstalk and Superworm. We will be practising writing short simple sentences using a capital letter and full stop. Please remember to bring Reception book bags every day as they need them for phonics lessons.



**General Messages**

- Children are not allowed to wear any jewellery for school.
- Children need a water bottle at school with their name on. We would advise water only.
- If your child turns 5 before the start of the 6 week holiday they will need to pay for school milk if they wish to have it (unless they are entitled to free school meals).
- As colder weather is now upon us please ensure children have sufficient clothing for outdoor play as we do go out in all weathers. Please, again, ensure it is all labelled.
- Watch out for your child being chosen for our 'Star of the Day' medal. They will be chosen for doing something special during their school day.
- Each week we choose a child to take home our special teddy bears (Humphrey, Martha and Ted) and write about their weekend activities.
- Look out for your child being chosen to take our book bags home with some lovely stories to share with a hot chocolate!
- Please check out our class pages on X (Twitter) and follow us. We put lots of important messages on and also photos of what the children are up to at school.  
 Miss Law—@livelylions  
 Mrs Parker—@LadybirdsMrsP / Mrs Butterwood—@Mrs\_Butterwood  
 EYFS TAs—@missambler94  
 Miss Hines—@MissHinesTT / Miss Williamson—@AWilliamsonSP

Can we politely remind parents that we ask for a £3.00 contribution each half term to allow us to provide further opportunities for the children e.g. toasting marshmallows, tasting Chinese food, Christmas boxes, Easter baking and homemade playdough. These contributions make a big difference to the provision we can provide.

Kind Regards, Miss Law and The Early Years Team.



We are starting off the half term with a special visit from some dental nurses and the children will be bringing home a tooth brushing chart to fill in at home!

This half term we will be looking at a selection of books such as The Very Hungry Caterpillar, From Seed to Sunflower and Somebody Swallowed Stanley. We will be learning about how to look after the environment, the lifecycle of some plants and what they need to thrive, and the lifecycle of a caterpillar. The children will be exploring a deconstructed role play with boxes, tape, pens and fabric. The children can use their imagination and creative skills to create their own props and stories.

**Topic news**  
 This term we will be looking at books all about staying healthy, lifecycles and plants.



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 Newsletter



## Summer 1 Term 2024

Welcome back to our Summer 1 term.

In this half termly newsletter we hope to let you know some of the activities that your child will be taking part in over the coming weeks and provide you with some useful information.

This newsletter is also available to view on the EYFS page on our website and will be displayed in the EYFS noticeboard.

### Important Dates

**Tuesday 23rd April**—FS2 Little City role play session  
**Wednesday 24th April** - FS1 Little City role play session  
 (See separate letter for information.)

**Wednesday 24th April** —FS2 height and weight checks

**Monday 6th May**—Bank Holiday

**Friday 24th May at 1.30pm** — sponsored Kids Mud Run—get muddy with a buddy—see separate letter for information.

This half term—we break up on **Friday 24th of May** for the Easter holiday and return to school on **Monday 3rd of June**.