

# Acorn News...

Friday 14th May 2021



It has been an exciting week for our class 'pets', all of our ladybird larvae are now pupas and our caterpillars have formed their chrysalides. Unfortunately, still no legs on our tadpoles but hopefully in the next few weeks we will see them.

In Phonics, we have been recapping the sounds ee (as in sheep), ai (as in rain), oa (as in goat) and igh (as in night). We have also learnt the tricky word 'was'.

In Maths, we have been looking at 3D shapes. We have decided which shapes roll and which stack and have learnt the names of some 3D shapes (cube, cuboid, pyramid, cone, sphere, triangular prism). We decided which everyday objects looked like each of our 3D shapes. We also print our 3D shapes in playdough to see what shape faces they have. Miss Traviss spent a lot of time explaining how we cannot pick up 2D shapes like triangles, circles, squares and rectangles we can only pick up the objects we can see them on.

We had a short circle time this week where we discussed how we ask our friends to play with us. Miss Traviss did some role play and we had to tell her whether she was asking in the correct way. Our star of the week is Harrison for his fantastic creativity and problem solving skills.

## Water Bottles...

Please ensure these contain water! We have had a few spillages recently which have had juice in.

Once the weather warms up, we do not want ants in our classroom!

## Home Learning

We have been discussing the use of capital and lower case letters in class this week. Capital letters only appear at the start of names and not in the middle of word. Lots of children are demonstrating beautiful pre cursive writing in phonics but are not applying it in other areas of their learning.

Please encourage your child to write their name at home using a capital letter for the first letter of their name and pre-cursive letters for the rest of their name. A sheet is attached to demonstrate how the letters should look. All lowercase letters should start on the line and be a continuous movement and the pen should not leave the paper until the end of the letter (except for x) or until you need to dot (i and j) or crossing letters (t).

## Class Dojo

This is our reward system. The children each have a virtual monster and have the opportunity to gain (or lose) points. The children decided on the reasons they would be able to gain or lose their points. The child with the most points at the end of the day will win a prize!

## Dates...

- Thursday 20th May—Parent Consultations—please contact the office if you have not booked yours yet
- Friday 21st May—last day to order school photos
- Friday 28th May—end of Term 5
- Monday 7th June = Inset Day (children not in school)
- Tuesday 8th June—start of Term 6