

Reception – Apple Class; Learning Bulletin 13th March 2026

We have had a lovely week at school. We have been busy learning about and preparing for Mothering Sunday.

Apple class have enjoyed meeting some of the people who help us in our community – we would like to say a big thank you, for sharing your time with our lovely Early Years children.

During this week's Jolly Phonics lessons the children have focused on reading and spelling words which have alternative ways of making the same sound; 'ie' pie or 'i-e' kite or 'y' sky. We have also started to look at **alphabetical order**. The 'tricky words' were **live** and **give**.

Our poem of the week; The Dustman by Clive Sansom;

Every Thursday morning
Before we're quite awake,
Without the slightest warning
The house begins to shake
With a Biff! Bang!
Biff! Bang! Biff!
It's the Dustman, who begins
BANG! Crash!
To empty all the bins
Of their rubbish and their ash
With a Biff! Bang!
Biff! Bang! Bash!

In mathematics, the children have been introduced to the concept of zero and equal/not equal.

During our Personal, Social, Emotional – Jigsaw time, we discussed our bedtime routines and the importance of sleep, to help to keep our bodies healthy.

Here is a little treat for your child... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oPHHZKCU4ug>

We enjoy singing songs and listening to music in Apple class. We have been listening to and joining in with the songs 'You Are My Sunshine' and 'Morning Has Broken'.

Due to our special Mothering Sunday creative curriculum event all day Today (Friday 13th March) reading books have not been changed and phonics wallets will be updated next week.

Home Learning Suggestions;

- Think about 'zero' and 'equal' and 'unequal' during every day experiences
- Practice reading and writing tricky words
- Talk about the local superheroes that came to school to visit us this week
- Watch this together... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oPHHZKCU4ug>
- A song to enjoy together <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uqvfbIuJd6Y>
- Discuss your child's bedtime routine together.
- Go out for a walk or trip to the park
- Share lots of favourite books/stories
- Share your child's school reading book

