

Reception Learning Bulletin 3rd October 2025

We have had a creative week in Apple Class. The children have produced some fantastic artwork this week. It was great to see how carefully they handled scissors to cut out a tortoise shape, then use coloured paint and printing techniques to decorate it, inspired by the story of The Hare and the Tortoise.

The children also explored their emotions and also displayed their creativity designing their very own 'Feelings Spot character.' with personality and care!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0076ZF4jg3o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3HEjFEOnuk>

Apple class listened to the NSPCC story and song 'Pantosuarus' it can be viewed on CBeebies.

The children listened to the story; 'The Princess and the Wizard' by Julia Donaldson and were introduced to the third Super Six Learning Power – **Creativity** (having good ideas and asking useful questions).

The children thought that our Poem of the week 'Revenge' by Coral Rumble was amusing. Take a look and share it together at home.

This week we've been working hard on our listening skills and being ready to sit and learn like the Very Busy Spider. The children have been thinking about some of the things that they would like to learn about at school.

In P.E. the children were practising travelling at different speeds and negotiating space.

Kingfisher group brought home a golden ticket today to inform their families that their Show and Tell will be next Friday. Each group will take it in turns to participate in Show and Tell over the weeks ahead.

The Internet Safety bag is being shared with each family. If your child brings it home on Monday, please return it on Wednesday. If your child brings it home on Wednesday, please return it on Friday. If your child brings it home on Friday, please return it on Monday.

We have got an exciting week next week, especially as there will be a pyjama day on Friday 10th October. Please can your child bring their toothbrush and teddy (named) to school.

The Baseline assessments have been completed.

Well done Apple Class another great week at school!

Here are some ideas to help to promote the importance of good listening skills at home...

Play musical statues or musical bumps.

Make animal sounds and ask your child to name the animal, or match sounds to your child's toys.

Place a selection of familiar items on a tray that make different sounds - cover them with a blanket... can your child listen carefully and tell you the object that you are moving.

A listening treasure hunt – give your child clues using sound based instructions: 'Tiptoe to the room where you hear ticking.' Or 'Find the toy that makes a squeaky sound.'

Use containers filled with different materials (rice, coins, beads) and shake them. Ask your child to match the sounds.

Leo's Challenge!

Support and guide your child's independence by encouraging them to try to put on and take off their school jumper/cardigan, attempt buttons and to put on and do up their coat.