



## **Swanton Morley V.C. Primary School**

### **Reception Reflection W/E 5.4.19**

The children have had such a busy half term. There has been so much to get through which has been a real challenge, given how many children and staff have been poorly. That said, when in school the children have all worked really hard on their learning.

In Maths the children have been counting up to 20 and are getting really good at working out what is one more or less than a given number. This week we have been counting larger groups of objects and counting in 10s. We have practised writing our numbers and will continue with both this and our letter formation throughout the summer term.

This term we have shared books by Eric Carle, "The Tiny Seed" and "The Very Hungry Caterpillar", along with "Mr Gumpy's Outing" and "Mr Gumpy's Motor Car" by John Burningham. The children have also been listening to, reading and writing instructions for "Washing your Hands" and "Cleaning your Teeth".

We had a visit from the school dentist who talked to all the children about tooth friendly foods and the importance of keeping our teeth clean. She did stress to the children that whilst it is of course OK to have the odd treat, the best times to have these are after meals.

All of the adults who were involved with the Reception trip to the Norwich Playhouse commented on how brilliant all the children were on the outing, and how much the children were amazed by seeing the characters they know so well on the stage.

Mrs Webb has been cooking with a small group of children each week and this will continue next half term.

We have talked about the changes in Seasons and looked for signs of Spring in our school grounds. In RE we have been listening to the Easter story and finding out why Christians put a cross in the Easter garden.

We have had a special tree in our classroom which grows blossom when kindness happens in the classroom. Needless to say our tree has lots of blossom!

I'm finishing with a few reminders and notices about next term:

**Earrings** – these will need to be removed for PE and swimming. If your child is unable to remove earrings themselves for these sessions, this needs to be done before your child comes into school that morning.

**Sharing session** – The next sharing session will be held at 2.30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

**Parent Teacher Consultations** – These have been re scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup> 3.30-5.30pm. Appointments can be booked via the school office.

**Swimming** – Swimming sessions are planned to start on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May for approximately six weeks. Children will need a towel, swimsuit (no bikinis or swimming shorts), and a swimming hat which can be purchased from the school office.

**Physical Development** – Next Term the children will participate in the mile run on a Monday, and PE sessions Tuesdays and Wednesdays. They will need their trainers and PE kits in school daily. Please ensure that your child brings their PE kit into school at the start of term and leaves this in the cloakroom.

**Water Bottles** – In line with school policy, children's drink bottles should only be filled with water, otherwise known as Brain juice! Please do not send Juice in. This week we have had a constant flurry of ants who have found their way into our classroom.

Have a wonderful Easter Holiday

*Mrs Barnes, Mrs Davies, Mrs Muncer, Mrs Allinson and Mrs Wilton*