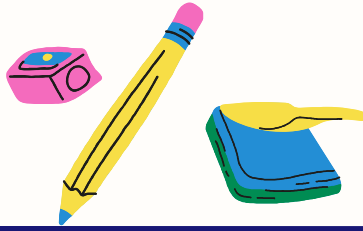


# Reception News



Colham —  
Manor  
Primary School  
*Aspire, Achieve, Thrive*



## This week in Reception...

This week in Reception literacy, we have been continuing to explore our focus story "The Extraordinary Gardener".

The children have learnt key words from the story such as grey, tall and empty. Children learnt that when the neighbours worked together in the story they were able to form a beautiful garden. Children described their own garden and said what would be inside.

During maths children learnt to share different amounts so that it is fair and equal. They were able to divide 10 and 12 strawberries between 2 plates. Children understood grouping and sharing. They discussed sharing while playing in the cafe and sharing out the soup. Children learnt about David Attenborough and linked his work to our topic of minibeasts and growth.

Outside children have enjoyed making a mini-beast hotel and making observational pictures of plants and insects. Through our discussions and activities, the children have been developing their vocabulary and communication skills. They have talked about what plants need to grow, such as water, sunlight, and soil, and have started to make simple connections to the world around them.

The children have continued to observe the 5 caterpillars and made observational drawings. In each class children are making predictions about how the caterpillars will grow and change. The children have shown great enthusiasm and curiosity, particularly during group discussions and practical activities.

In art this week children made their own vegetable soup using the plan from the previous week. They enjoyed using different vegetables and linked this to our literacy story. Children enjoyed discussing where vegetables come from.

The children have enjoyed creating their own artwork by observing real artist work and making their own representation. The children also displayed the life cycle of a caterpillar using plates,



## REACH awards

**R Seacole - Enthusiastic- Lilly May for being enthusiastic towards his phonics- she is using his phonics and blending to write sentences independently. Well done Lilly, Keep up the good work!**

**R Darwin Ambitious -Nadir for being ambitious. He was able to write a longer sentence in literacy. Keep up the good work Nadir!**

**R Grey Thompson- Ambitious- Autumn for being ambitious. She has been writing full sentences and is improving her writing skills. Well done Autumn! keep up the good work!**

**Well done to all the children who have received a REACH certificate this week!**



## Key Messages

Please label all items.

PE kits should be brought in and left at school, not worn to school. A full school uniform is required for the school day. Please make sure your child brings a water bottle and a coat every day.

Just a kind reminder children should not be bringing in toys from home

If you have any junk modelling items we will happily take them off your hands!

Here are some useful websites that the school offers to support the children in their learning journey.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

Please see the free support service website below, this is training and support for parents.

[www.familylives.org.uk](http://www.familylives.org.uk)

Thank you for your continued support.