



Early Years Update

Summer Term, weeks 1 & 2

(11th - 15th & 18th - 22nd April)

Caterpillars/Pre-School

Everyone returned from the Easter break refreshed and with great attitudes! It was a week of settling back into the routine, getting used to some new routines and exploring the new Outdoors area.

Our teaching student Tyla Blundell has returned for her final teaching placement and will be with us for 8 weeks. During this time I will be observing her teach, and working closely with her on the planning. She will be concentrating on the Reception children which will leave me with more opportunities to work with the Caterpillars.

We started by looking at Bees and the importance of them to our ecosystem. We planted Bee friendly plants in our new outdoors area in the hope of helping these very important insects. The children learned about the parts of a bee and how they communicate by 'wagging'!

We then looked at the Queen and the celebration for her Birthday. The children made playdough 'cakes' and had to match the correct number of candles to numerals. They have sung lots of songs about the Queen and London, learned about where the Queen lives and built their own versions of Buckingham Palace.

Next Week: We will read the story of St. George and the Dragon, talk about what makes a 'Hero' and was what he did heroic? We will work on Castles and Dragons and sing songs about dragons. We will be making shields and deciding on what our family crest will be. We will be continuing to work on our Speaking and Listening skills through games and small group activities, and we will be practising our recognition of letter sounds and mouth movements to promote correct sound pronunciation.

