

# Pudsey Bolton Royd Primary School

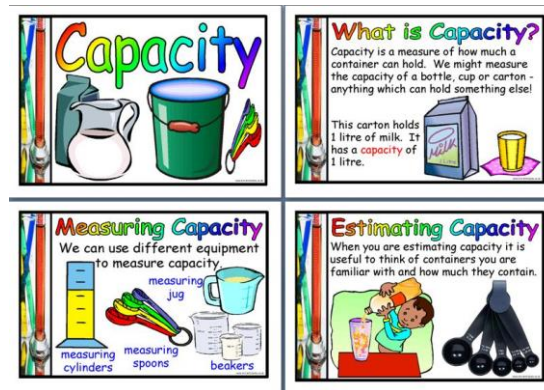


## Minibeasts and Farmyards Reception Newsletter Summer 2 2024

Welcome back after half term, we hope that you had a lovely break. As we get into the summer months and the weather heats up, please could you provide your child with a sunhat and apply sun cream in the morning on warm days.

## Maths

This half term we will consolidate our knowledge of number bonds to 5 and 10 with automatic recall. We will also be looking at teen numbers. We will continue to verbally count beyond 20 and compare quantities up to 10. We will be practically measuring length, capacity and weight. We will be using our knowledge of number to solve maths word problems; you can support your child by asking them number problems in and around the home, for example, 'You have got 6 grapes and you eat 2, how many have you got left?'



## Literacy

We will continue with our Read, Write, Inc programme for both reading and writing. The children will be using the sounds they have learnt to write sentences and read stories. We are encouraging the children to read the short stories without sounding out every word, which will support their developing fluency and expression. We will be writing simple sentences about our topic of minibeasts and farmyards.

Thank you for continuing to support and encourage your child to read and develop an active attitude towards reading, by listening to your child read to you at home every day.

You can support your child's reading by encouraging them to:

- Read the book and if they sound out some of the words, encourage them to re-read the whole sentence without sounding any words out. This will support their fluency.

- Discuss the story with them
- Ask your child questions relating to the story and encourage them to answer in a full sentence giving reasons for their answer.

### Understanding of the World

We will be using our topic of 'Farmyards and Minibeasts' to look at farm animals and minibeasts in our playground!

We will also be looking at the life cycle of a butterfly by reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle. We are hoping to get some caterpillars into Reception for the children to observe as they change into butterflies.



### Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be creating plasticine models of a butterfly's life cycle. They will also be using different media to create their own butterflies.

### P.E.

The focus for our P.E will be to prepare for our Reception Sports Day that we will be holding later in the half term. We will send more details about this soon, be sure to keep checking Ping for any messages.

P.E. is an important part of the curriculum; therefore, it is vital every child always has the correct kit to be able to take part.

P.E. kit should consist of a white, round neck T-shirt; blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms; pumps or trainers. As the weather is improving; we aim to work outside for our session. Please therefore ensure that your child has the appropriate kit for

indoor and outdoor P.E. This means all children must have pumps or trainers in their P.E bag.

Please label all kit clearly with your child's name.

PE in Reception is every Wednesday afternoon.

### Transition

As the children prepare for their move to Year 1, we will visit the Year 1 classrooms and join them for their afternoon playtimes. In the coming weeks the children will find out who their new teacher will be and will get a chance to spend some time with them.

As always, we aim for a happy and busy final half term.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Reception Team:

Ms Wilson, Mrs Marsh, Mrs Pearson

Ms Durkin, Mrs Gill, Mrs Ara