

Summer in Reception

What will we be learning and how can you help at home?

What the ladybird heard on Holiday by Julia Donaldson

Those two bad men, Lanky Len and Hefty Hugh, are back! They may be in the city instead of the farm, but they haven't changed their thieving ways. However, a certain crime-busting ladybird is holidaying in the very same city . . . and she's got a good idea that will ensure the dastardly pair won't get away with it!

Inspired by the book the children will be learning all about

- Holidays
- London
- The royal family
- Dogs with jobs
- Cops and robbers

Our traditional tale focus will be 'The 3 Billy Goats Gruff'.

How can I help at home?

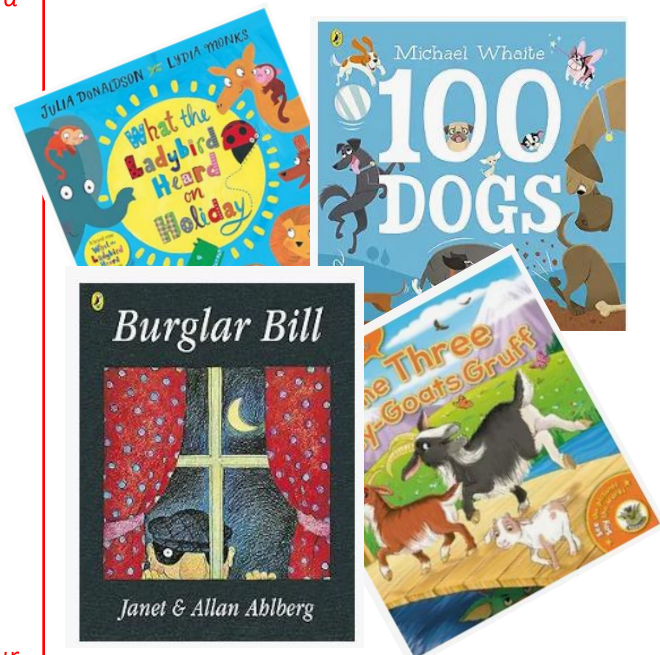
Talk about the themes covered above and share photos of your holidays or the related topics on Tapestry?

Key Vocabulary:

Summer, Police,

Holidays, Dogs,

The royals,



Wellies

Please ensure your child has a named pair of wellies in school. We go outside in all weathers.



Sun safety

When the sun does appear Please ensure suncream of factor 50+ is applied before school. Please also send your child with a named sun hat on sunny days.

Tapestry

As we progress into the summer, we will continue to actively share what the children do each week. Please do take a look and use what we do to develop language and communication at home.

We also encourage you to share all of the wonderful things you are doing at home onto Tapestry.

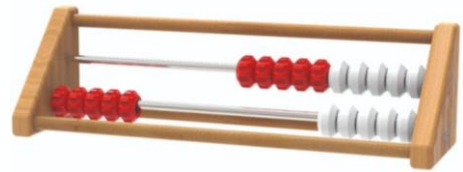
Phonics and Reading

This term sees the children working to develop their fluency.

Summer 2 see the children focusing on long vowel sounds CVCC CCVC and Phase 4 words ending such as -s /s/, -s /z/, -es, longer words ending- ing, -ed /t/, -ed /id/ /ed/, -ed /d/

How can I help at home?

- Encourage them to write lists and cards so they can apply their phonics.
- Encourage them to find tricky words when out and about or reading books for pleasure.
- Share your child's reading book with them as often as you can.



Tricky words

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Maths

In Reception we are continuing to use the scheme Mastering Number which uses the Cbeebies series 'Numberblocks' to engage the children with Maths. This term sees the children starting to use Rekenreks to develop their number fluency.

How can I help at home?

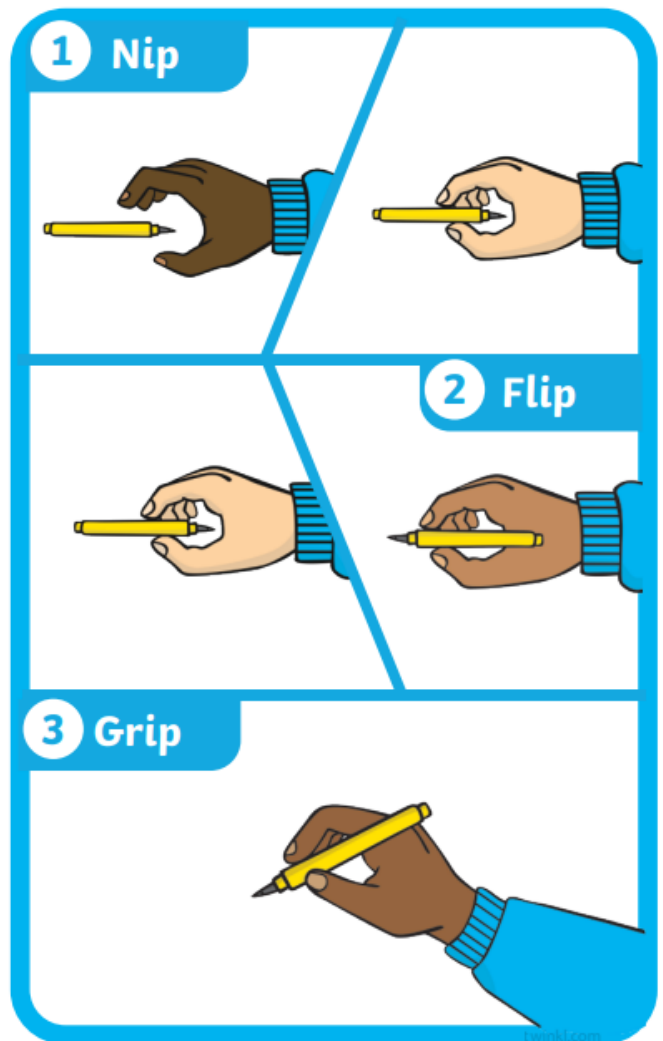
- Watch Number blocks at home, together as a family and talk about what you have seen. Click on the link below for more ideas. [Numberblocks at home NCETM](#)
- Look for numbers in the environment when out and about.
- Encourage simple addition and subtraction using their fingers.

Being active and developing fine motor skills

- We'll be continuing to develop core strength through climbing, balancing, jumping, running, hopping and more
- In class we will continue to establish and improve our pencil grip using a tripod grip.

How can I help at home?

- Spend time outdoors as much as you can. Make use of the West Common, The Arboretum or local parks to explore. Allow children to take risks and explore their limits.
- Encourage cutting skill with scissors
- Model cutting using a knife and fork.
- Encourage the tripod grip.



PE lessons are on Mondays & Wednesdays but Kit should be in school all week

They will need a white t-shirt and black/blue shorts, trainers or plimsolls in a drawstring bag. Please ensure everything inside the bag is named, and the bag itself has a clear name on the outside.

