

Reception Newsletter – Friday 5th June 2026

RE – God send the Holy Spirit

Our Hymn this week was 'Thy Word is a Lamp'. The children have learned the signs for the chorus and sing it really beautifully. <https://www.st-annes.walsall.sch.uk/main/pupils/class-pages/reception/hymns>



The Wednesday Word for this week is '**nourish**'. We talked about how food & drink nourishes us, but we need the teachings of Jesus to nourish our hearts.

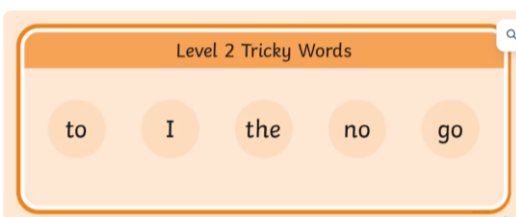
<https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/holiday-booklet?pid=MTA101634&p=3&v=211.2>



Phonics – Level 3

This week Miss Khan led the review of our Level 3 sounds - '**long oo (moon)**', '**short oo (book)**' & '**ar (car)**'. The children are becoming more confident at writing words using these sounds including thinking carefully about their handwriting. Please use your child's sound books to review these sounds and the front pages of their reading books. You might want to play the games on www.phonicsplay.co.uk using the school login to help your child practice reading words using these sounds or want to do the dictation challenges using these sounds to help reinforce them.

The tricky word for this week was '**you**'. The tricky part is the 'ou' that makes an 'oo' sound. We've focused on reading and writing it independently.



This week I've completed another phonics assessment check. I am exceptionally proud of how confident the children are with the sounds and tricky words they know. Thank you for continuing their learning at home. Your child should have brought home their individual feedback with the sounds and tricky words they don't yet know. Please spend the next few weeks working on the missing sounds. I will complete another check at the end of term.

Maths

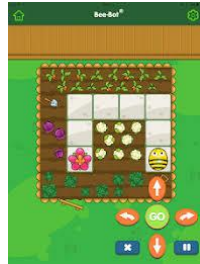
This week Miss Jan led Maths activities. The children were introduced to using cubes to complete simple subtraction sums within 10 EG: $7 - 2 = 5$.

Understanding the World – Minibeasts – Ladybirds & Spiders

This week we learned facts about ladybirds and spiders. Ask your child what they've remembered. Please look on the school's Facebook page for pictures of some interesting playdough spiders and our sticky spider's web challenge.

Computing – Programming Bee-Bot Programmable Toys

This week the children learned how to programme Bee-Bots to make them move and use directional language. There is a similar free app called 'Bee-Bots' you can download for tablets you might want to use with your child at home.



Welcome

This week we welcome Reuben to St Anne's. I'm sure you'll join me in helping Reuben and his family settle and quickly become part of the Reception class family.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 12th June – Go Green Mufti Day for St John's Ambulance

Friday 19th June – Woodlands School

Friday 12th June – EYFS Parent & Child Reading Session at 2.30pm. This will be our last session of the year.

Monday 15th June – Father's Day Shop Open. Please see communications from Mrs Johnston about arrangements

Monday 15th June – St John's Ambulance visit to Reception

Friday 19th June – Sports Day (I will send PE kits home nearer the time for children to wear to school on Friday). Please see communications from Mrs Johnston about arrangements

Friday 19th June – Woodlands School in the afternoon

Friday 19th June – Miss Khan & Miss Jan's final day

Saturday 20th June – Y3's First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers

Monday 22nd June – EYFS Online Safety Workshop for Parents & Children at 2pm

Friday 26th June – Bottle Mufti for PTA Garden Party. Please send in an alcoholic bottle for our Summer Garden Party Bottle Tombola

Friday 26th June - Woodlands School

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Turley