



Date: 2/4/25

Theme: Easter

Easter

We've had an egg-straordinary week bursting with Easter excitement! Our classroom has been buzzing with creativity, curiosity and hands-on fun from start to finish.

During our finger gym activities, the children became mini Easter scientists, carefully weighing different eggs to compare their mass. They also poured so much care into writing their Easter cards, created beautifully bright tissue paper eggs, and built their very own Easter characters out of Multilink cubes.

One of the highlights of the week was our fantastic PTFA Easter Fun Day. The children raced through the obstacle course with their crazy hair and huge smiles, and their egg hunt across the field was full of laughter, teamwork and excitement.

We also set off on thrilling adventures as map-makers! The children designed their own maps to help their friends hunt for hidden eggs around the classroom and outdoor area. They loved testing out one another's maps and following the clever clues. So much fun and learning wrapped into one.

To finish our week, we travelled back in time to explore how Easter was celebrated in the past. The children were fascinated by the traditions and customs that have shaped the way we celebrate today. We would absolutely love for you to share your own childhood Easter memories with your child. What did Easter look like when you were little? Which traditions have stayed the same, and which ones have changed? Comparing your experiences with theirs helps bring learning to life in such a meaningful way.

Goodbye Mrs Qureshi

We gave Mrs Qureshi the most spectacular send-off. A day bursting with joy, laughter, happy tears, and unforgettable moments! She was absolutely thrilled by our surprise video, smiling from ear to ear as she watched (there were a few tears too). And of course, she threw herself wholeheartedly into all the party games... with the favourite being the Wuthering Heights dance off! Her dramatic spins and windswept moves had everyone cheering. It was the perfect way to celebrate everything she means to us.

Phonics: We have reviewed all our sounds and harder to read and spell words. We have enjoyed reading texts linked to Easter and going on an Easter word hunt.

Maths

This week has been full of measuring magic! We kicked things off by investigating a collection of Easter eggs, eagerly comparing their sizes to discover which ones were the giants and which were the teeny tinies. Using all sorts of fun non-standard units, we measured each egg and compared our results. Then we levelled up our measuring skills by exploring larger objects around the classroom, using bigger units to find out which items were the longest, the shortest, and those right in the middle. The children loved becoming length detectives.

Learning Journal Task

This week, I would like you to:

Choose one or more of the Easter challenges to complete at home.

Take photos or draw pictures of you completing the challenge.

Can you write one or two sentences about what it was that you did?

Reminders/collecting:

- Our PE sessions will be a structured balance bike lesson on the playground. The children will not be changing for this but will need their PE kits in school in case we have an impromptu Coach Robbie session.
- Our topic after half term is 'The Secret Garden'. It would be lovely if each child could bring in a plant or some seeds to share with the class and plant in our brand new planters. (Please check that they are not poisonous!).
- We are still after more compost if you have any going spare.
- Once again our play dough is either drying out or getting very sticky. Please provide your child with a new pot and remember that the 'Play-Doh' brand is by far the best.