



Westfield  
Foundation Stage  
Newsletter

# Summer 1 2023

## Reading and writing at home.

Please could ensure that your child reads three times a week in accordance with our school policy? There will be a reward for all pupils who read three times a week at the end of each half term. Please sign the card to show that your child has read. We are also asking your child to practice writing their first and last name clearly.

## Lifecycles

This half term we are learning about lifecycles. We are mainly looking at plants and frogs and the way that they grow and change. The children will be engaging in lots of fun activities that teach them about these different lifecycles. If the opportunity arises, please discuss these and other lifecycles with your child.



## Flowering Plants

We will be looking at flowering plants and some of the science behind this. We will label the basic parts of a plant and sketch from real plants.

## Model making/ loose parts

The children will be continuing to do lots of free choice junk modelling and learning different techniques to help them in making their wonderful creations! We would be really grateful for things they can use, such as cardboard boxes, kitchen rolls, bottles, lids and tubes. We would also be grateful for any natural materials for our outdoor loose parts play - such as conkers, stones, cable reels, log slices etc. We are also looking for any drain pipes (clean ones!) and crates for stacking play and den creation.

## PE lessons

This term we are going to be getting the children changed and rechanged for PE. We will start to take our sessions outside so we need you to make sure that PE kits have some warm items as well as trainers. All items need clearly naming. We are going to be learning lots of new ball skills and techniques and practicing for Sports' Day. If the weather becomes warm, please ensure your child has a hat/ cap with them and their water bottle each day.

## Coronation of King Charles

We will be doing lots of exciting things to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. We will be marking this event as a whole school. We will send more information nearer the time.

## Spring/ Seasonal Changes

After the Easter holidays we will be learning about spring and changes that occur with the seasons. We will be going on a spring walk around the school grounds and looking for signs of spring. It would be great if you could look for signs of spring when you are out and about with your child.

## The Three Little Pigs

Our key text this half term is the story of the three little pigs as well as other traditional tales. We will be basing lots of the classroom activities around the story as well as creating story maps and actions to help us with writing our own three little pigs stories. We also hope to have a visit from



some real pigs and piglets!

