

# Reception News

Spring 2 Week 5 – 2nd April 2026

## What have we been learning?

- ◆ We LOVED our visit from Zoo Lab on Monday morning! We were all so sensible when we were holding the animals & we listened carefully to Rob when he was telling us about the life cycles of each animal. We saw a snake, a tarantula, 2 cockroaches, a gecko, 2 gerbils, a tree frog & a giant African snail - wow!
- ◆ In our Phonics sessions this week we have been recapping all of our work from the last half-term. We are becoming such fantastic phonetic spellers when we are writing independently now.
- ◆ In Maths this week we have been practising our counting - forwards from 0-20 & backwards from 20-0. Our teachers were so very impressed! We have also been looking at our recognition of numbers from 0-10 & 11-20.

Zoo Lab

## Homework

### Literacy

- Sounds, reading books & sight words ("tricky words") - a new set has been sent home this week.
- Complete the phonics sheet in their Yellow Books. Please try to encourage your child to work on this as independently as they can, as this is what we would be asking them to do in school.

### Maths

- **Counting to 10** - Ask your child to carefully count each set of Easter eggs & write a number in each circle to show how many there were.

We are continuing to add links to useful websites **DB Primary** too, for example there is a tab with links to Easter websites that your child might like to look at over the holidays.

We hope you have a restful Easter holidays.

Hopefully the sun will shine for us all to be able to enjoy the outdoors!