

Reception News

Summer 1 Week 1 – 24th April 2026

What have we been learning?

- ◆ We have been reading the Julia Donaldson story of “**The Troll**” this week and we have enjoyed experiencing lots of pirate related activities - building our own pirate ship in the Outside Area where we could walk the plank, using our imagination to make up stories when playing with the small world pirates, cutting out and colouring in our own pirate mask and making transient art pictures using “pirate treasure” - we have been so busy!
- ◆ In our Phonics sessions this week we have been beginning to read and write words which contain 4 sounds independently (e.g. tent, wind, help). The 3rd sound is always the tricky one to hear when we are blending these 4 sound words but we’ve been trying really hard.
- ◆ In Maths this week we have been learning about the different coins which we have in our country, sorting them by their colour/shape, and carefully counting amounts of pennies in order to find the total (up to 10p).

Pirates!!!!

Homework

Literacy

- Sounds & practising the correct formation of letters.
- Reading books - *Please continue to make a comment in your child's reading diary each week, thank you.*
- Play the **tricky words game**. You'll just need a dice & at least 2x people (including your child!) to play. If you land on a space, the idea is that you need to read that word on sight. If you can't read it on sight, you stay on that space. If you can, you throw the dice again.

Maths

- Practise counting money & recognising the different coins that we have in Britain. You could put different amounts of 1p coins into a purse and ask your child to tell you how much money there is and then use this money to “buy” something, before working out what their change would be (using amounts up to 10p).

We are continuing to add links to useful websites on **DB Primary**, for example there is a new tab with links to websites that your child might like to look at relating to our new “**Magic and Mayhem**” topic.