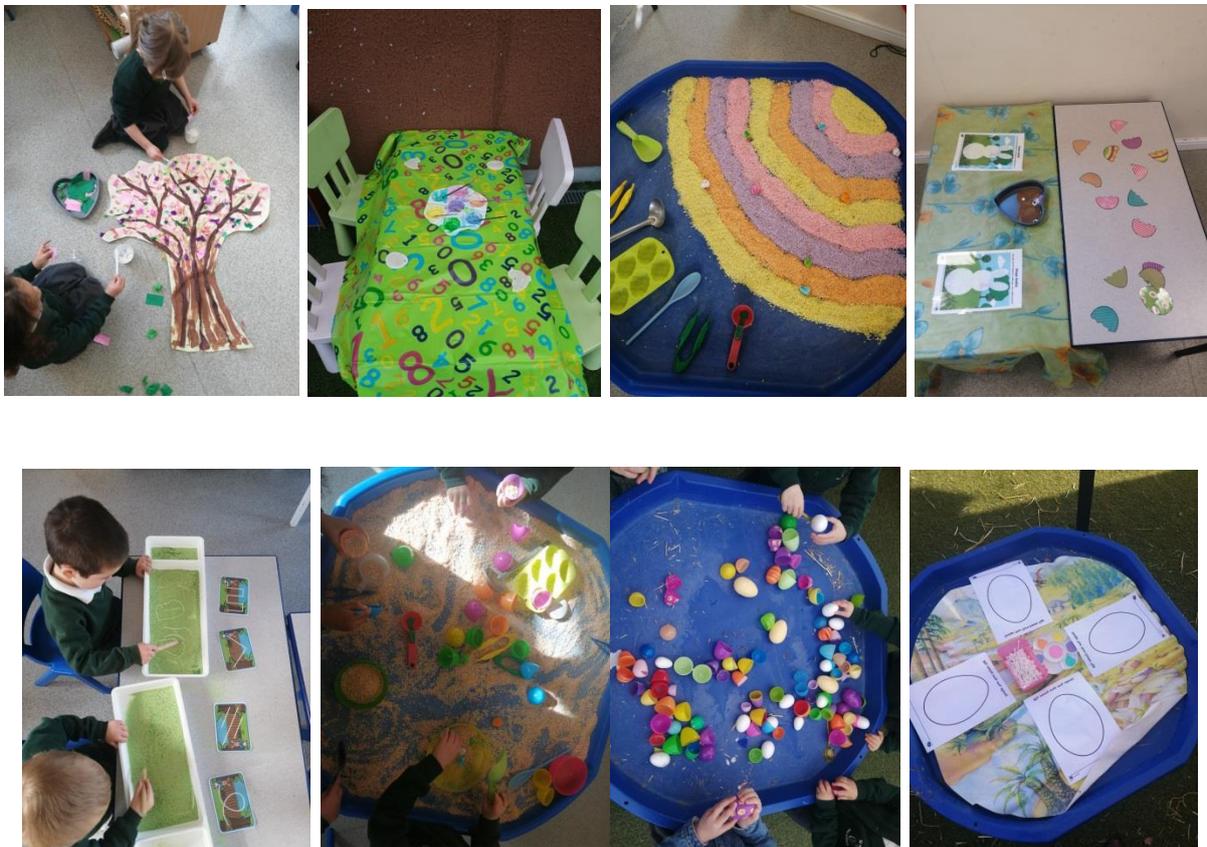


Walking in the footsteps of Jesus with Respect, Perseverance, Care, Trust and Thankfulness.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents,

It has been a fun filled Easter week in Nursery. We have been reading a variety of Easter related books including 'Dora's Egg', 'Rabbits Don't Lay Eggs' and 'Dora's chicks'. The children have enjoyed making Easter cards, painting their decorations, using the shapes to make rabbits and matching pattern eggs. They have been busy making a blossom tree, singing Easter songs and exploring the Easter water play activities outside.



Well done to the children for taking part in their first Easter Bonnet parade. They looked fantastic!! Thank you to parents for your work to help make them!

The children have been busy working on a Spring display in the classroom over the last few weeks. They have used a variety of resources and materials to create different pieces of art work.

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Also this week, the children have enjoyed the lovely weather and been testing out our new canopy. They worked together to create a little den and also helped set up their own 'theatre' area. Children (and staff) have enjoyed dancing to the music and putting on shows!



We have continued our learning through Ten Town this week and revisited all of the ten characters we have learnt. We have shown the children how to navigate ten town when using it at home. Over Easter if you could sit with your child and listen to the stories and encourage them to have a go at the activities. We are finding that it is really helping their number skills as the children are able to relate the characters to numbers. If you need a reminder of your login please let me know.

We have also continued with our phonics activities and this week have learnt the sound 't'. We have learnt the letter name and sound and have been busy sorting things that begin with the 't' sound. The children have been sorting objects according to whether they start with 's', 'a' or 't'.

The following link will help you how to say pure sounds:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LITw0oiLNys>

The following is a link to the jolly phonics songs and we have learnt the 't' song along with the action: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y03uiPd-JTc>

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 **Action:** Turn your head from side to side, as if you are watching tennis, and say *t, t, t, t*.

**T t**

**t** *Tune: The Muffin Man*

When I watch the tennis game,  
/t/-/t/-/t/,  
/t/-/t/-/t/...  
...when I watch the tennis game,  
my head goes back and forth.




This is how we teach children to write a pre-cursive 't'.



**Up the tower, down the tower, across the tower.**

Home Learning Challenge (Optional):

Fine motor challenge: **To go on a sound hunt and find things beginning with the 't' sound.**

Memory game: **Using a few objects that begin with 't' lay out 3 of them. Ask your child to say what they are. Cover the items with a blanket/scarf, take one away, and then uncover which are left. Ask your child to name the item that's missing. If they are confident doing this activity with 3 items, up it to 4 then 5.**

When the children return to school after Easter they can wear their summer uniforms. On days where it is warm can you make sure you send your child to school with a named hat and apply sun cream beforehand please.

Have a wonderful Easter!

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