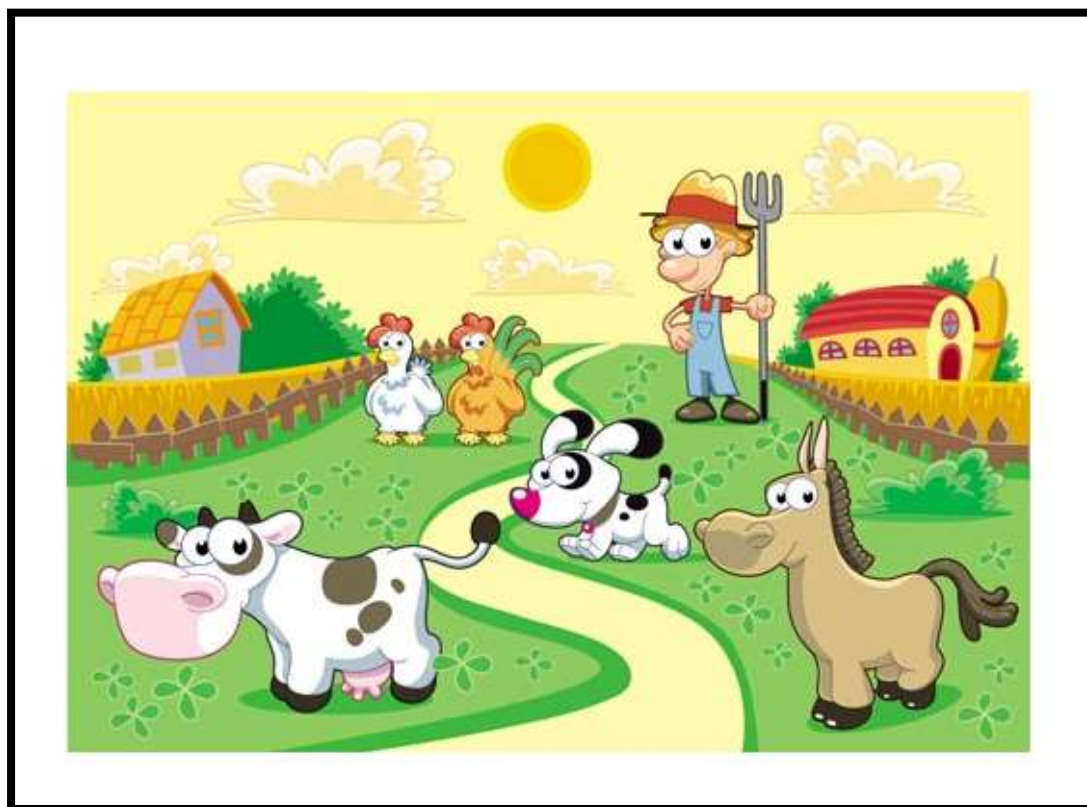


Welwyn St. Mary's Primary School

Summer Term 2021



Year R



Topics for this term

This term our topics are *Growth*, *Mini-beasts* and *Journeys*.



During the first half term we will be continuing to learn about the life cycles of different living organisms and then we will be investigating different mini-beasts.

Our work will include:

- finding out about the life cycles of frogs and butterflies as well as growing plants from seeds
- finding out about the mini-beasts that live all around us
- using our garden and the Nature Reserve to observe mini-beasts in their natural habitats
- creating our own mini-beasts using different media

During the second half term, we will base our learning on different journeys:

- a journey into space
- journeys around the world
- journeys on sea
- our Summer holiday plans



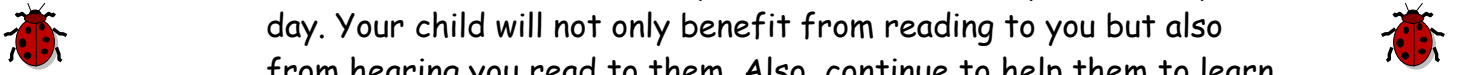
As part of our *Journeys* topic we will be:

- designing and making transport models
- investigating how objects move using forces such as air and water, pressure, pushing, pulling and gravity
- following directions and making simple maps
- finding out about other countries, their cultures and beliefs

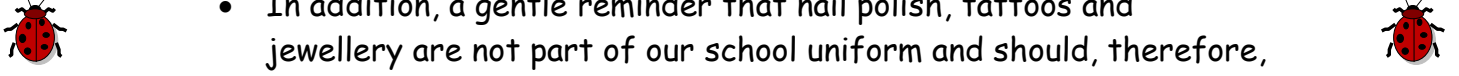
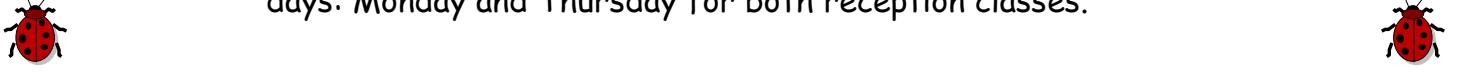
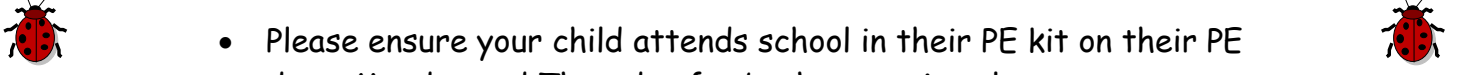
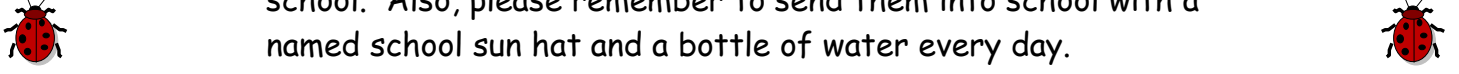
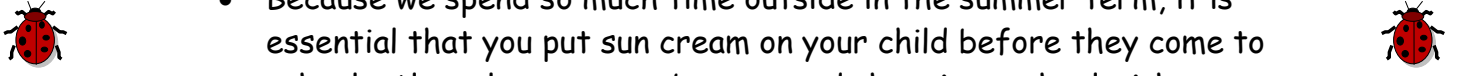
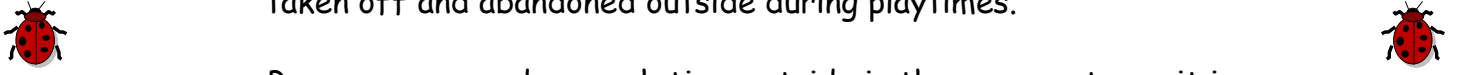
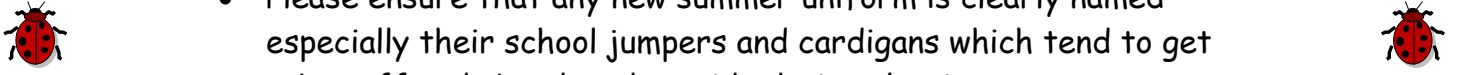
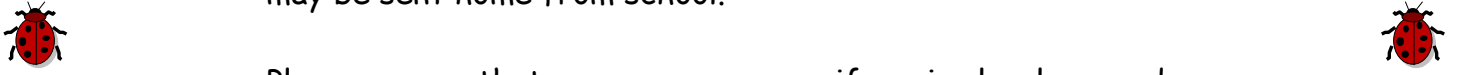
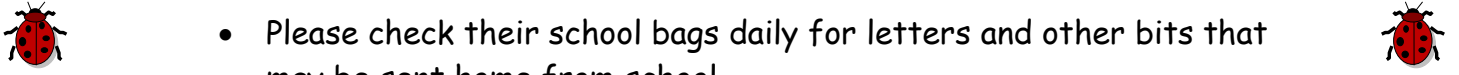
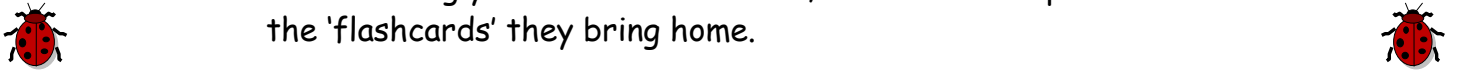
In our RE this term we will be reading some of the stories that Jesus told and looking at the story of Noah's Ark.

Here are a few things that you can continue to do to help us.



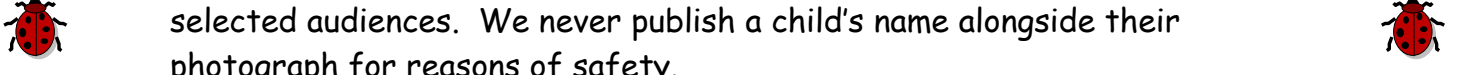
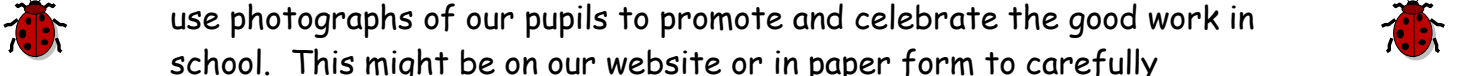
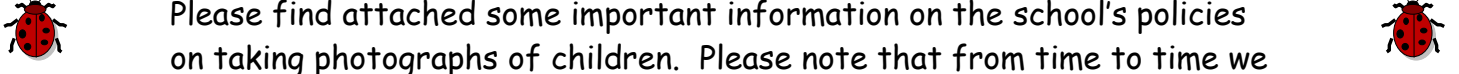


- Please continue to read with your child for a short period every day. Your child will not only benefit from reading to you but also from hearing you read to them. Also, continue to help them to learn the 'flashcards' they bring home.
- Please check their school bags daily for letters and other bits that may be sent home from school.
- Please ensure that any new summer uniform is clearly named especially their school jumpers and cardigans which tend to get taken off and abandoned outside during playtimes.
- Because we spend so much time outside in the summer term, it is essential that you put sun cream on your child before they come to school. Also, please remember to send them into school with a named school sun hat and a bottle of water every day.
- Please ensure your child attends school in their PE kit on their PE days: Monday and Thursday for both reception classes.
- In addition, a gentle reminder that nail polish, tattoos and jewellery are not part of our school uniform and should, therefore, not be worn when at school.

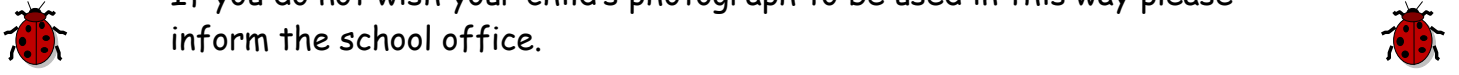


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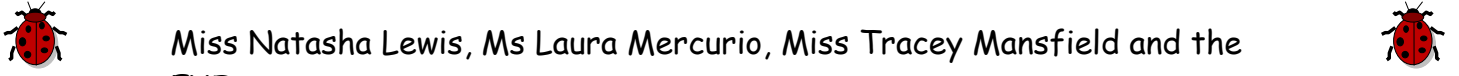
Please find attached some important information on the school's policies on taking photographs of children. Please note that from time to time we use photographs of our pupils to promote and celebrate the good work in school. This might be on our website or in paper form to carefully selected audiences. We never publish a child's name alongside their photograph for reasons of safety.



If you do not wish your child's photograph to be used in this way please inform the school office.



Many Thanks,



Miss Natasha Lewis, Ms Laura Mercurio, Miss Tracey Mansfield and the EYFS team





Useful websites:

- oxfordowl.co.uk - free e-books using the log in
 - wsmeyfs1 = LR password = reading1 (no spaces in login or password)
 - wsmeyfs2 = MR password = reading1 (no spaces in login or password)
- phonicsplay.co.uk www.letters-and-sounds.com
- purplemash.com - school will provide log in details
- topmarks.co.uk
- nrich.maths.org
- Phase 2 phonics - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2yf4j>
- Geraldine the giraffe on YouTube. E.g. - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sUmUpf-JNoU>
- ictgames.com - phonics and maths games
- Alphablocks - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks>
- Numberblocks - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>
- <https://readingeggs.co.uk/> (30 day free trial)
- teachyourmonstertoread.com - free when used on a computer. There is an app available too which does require payment. Set up a free log in to use on a computer.
- phonicsbloom.com - a range of free phonics games
- www.mathsbot.com - useful for maths manipulatives such as tens frames.
- www.discoveryeducation.co.uk - click Login (top right of the screen) and select Espresso. This is useful for phonics videos, games and activities. Pupil username: student15720 PW: Welwyn
- <https://www.learningtrajectories.org> - a good range of maths games.

