

# The Small School Scoop

READEREDANCE



It is hard to believe that we have already reached Half Term and that we are fast approaching the end of the year. We have seen the children making fantastic progress in their learning this term and their levels of creativity, focus and independence continue to impress us.

After Half Term we are excited to be introducing a new Personal, Social and Emotional Education project to the children. This will take the place of Show and Tell sessions on Fridays. The topics covered will include managing friendships and dealing with emotions. The teachers will be using a range of rich, diverse texts to raise discussions with the children. A big thank you goes to Kitan Akerele, who has kindly given up her time to help shape the programme and donated some lovely stories for us to enjoy with the children in these sessions. We are always looking for recommendations of books that you enjoy with your families at home, if you have any favourite books, please do email your suggestions to Mrs Heald. Please note that after Half Term your child will no longer need to bring Show and Tell into school on Fridays. If you still have a yearning to share your child's fabulous creations from home, please email photographs to Mrs Heald who will pass them on to the class teachers.

In celebration of the fact that the children are becoming confident writers, we would like them to complete a holiday diary over the Half Term break. Please encourage your child to use their phonic knowledge – it does not matter if words are misspelt as long as the children are writing down the sounds they can hear. It helps the children if they rehearse the sentence they are writing orally a few times before they attempt to write it and gentle reminders about leaving a space between each word (we call them finger spaces) are also very useful. Please return your holiday diary to your child's teacher after Half Term.

This week a special mention goes to our merit children: Sebastian (S1), Amaan (S2), Lillian (S3), Oscar (S4) and Henry (S5). They all received a merit in Small School assembly for trying new things and always being helpful. *Please make sure you return the merit badge to school at the end of your child's week as merit*.

We hope you have a lovely Half Term break,

The Small School Team.

#### Important dates:

<u>Monday 31 May – 4 June</u>

Half Term

<u>July 7</u> Field Day Term ends at 4pm



#### 28 May 2021

## Our week in pictures







Clockwise from top left: S4 investigated doubles using repeated addition; Theodore and Shien collaborated to make doubles ladybirds; Lillian, Charlotte and Pauline checked in on the progress of the tadpoles and Ines concentrated hard to make a tall tower out of numicon.



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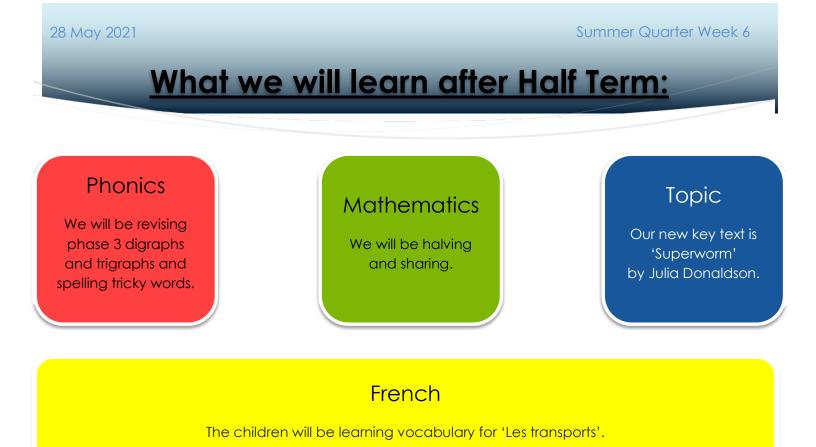
Amaan, Finn, Matilda B and Penelope all helped make this gorgeous house complete with stairs up to bedrooms, a fridge and industrial style lights.

Rahma, Safiya and Charlotte took care of this little caterpillar that they found.





Zachary, Rahma, Líllían, Ines and Kerím built thís ímpressíve house.



## Health and Hygiene

We will be learning how to stay safe when crossing roads and when we are out and about.

## Swimming

In Swimming the children will be continuing learning to kick our legs whilst using floats, doing star and mushroom floats and blowing bubbles.



In Gym we will be preparing for Field Day.

## Home Learning

Please continue to read with your child every day and write in their reading records.

Over the holidays we would like the children to complete a holiday diary. Please return these to your child's teacher by Friday 11 June.

## What are we eating after Half Term?

|           | Morning Break                                           | Lunch                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday    | Wholemeal bread<br>and butter                           | Spaghetti Bolognaise, peas, parmesan<br>Pasta with roasted red pepper pesto,<br>peas and parmesan (V)<br>Greek yoghurt with organic rhubarb and<br>honey |
| Tuesday   | Oatcakes with cheese                                    | Fresh roast Scottish salmon, jasmine rice,<br>tenderstem broccoli<br>Watermelon                                                                          |
| Wednesday | Homemade houmous,<br>organic breadsticks and<br>carrots | Indian style chicken wraps,<br>crunchy green salad, olives<br>Bananas                                                                                    |
| Thursday  | Organic Kallo Ricecakes<br>with cream cheese            | Roasted tomato and cannellini bean soup,<br>homemade wholemeal bread,<br>cheese, sliced ham or turkey<br>Fruit salad with strawberries and peaches       |
| Friday    | Homemade flapjacks<br>with coconut                      | Friday Club:<br>Mini homemade beef burgers,<br>sweet potato fries, salad                                                                                 |

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