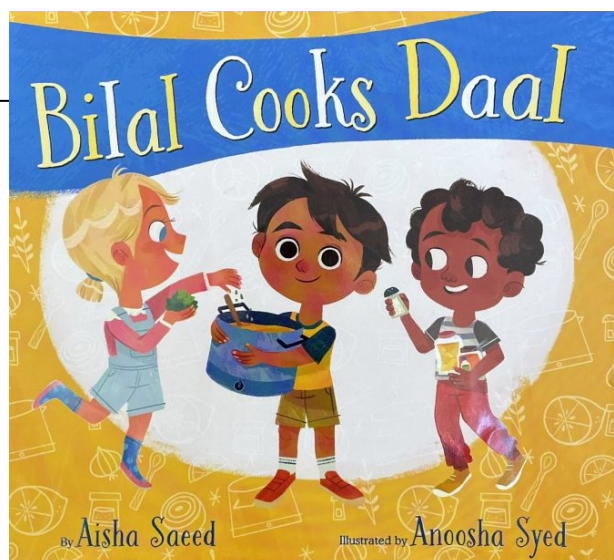


Peek at the Week



Ramadan and Eid

What an amazing week we have had! The children have been learning about the Muslim festival of Ramadan and the special celebration of Eid-ul-Fitr, which happened near the end of the last term! On Wednesday we started to prepare for our own Eid celebration meal by making daal. We read the story, Bilal Cooks Daal. In the story, Bilal's dad cooks his favourite dish, daal, and Bilal brings all his friends to try it. His friends have never tried it before so Bilal shows them the different types of lentils and they wait in anticipation as the dish slowly cooks. The Reception children peeled and chopped sweet potatoes and carrots. We used red lentils in our daal but we looked and touched, four different types of lentils so we could experience what they felt like before they are cooked. We smelt the different spices, coriander, cumin, ginger and turmeric. Mrs Rich took all the ingredients home and cooked it. It took a long time to cook and we watched a video of how it was done. On Friday afternoon we had a celebration Eid meal in our classes. And ate our home-cooked daal.



Donation request please

The children love using real tools. In previous years we have asked for donations of old Video players / DVD players / old radios and any electrical equipment that can be taken apart with standard screwdrivers (sometimes they have special screws and we do not have those). The children love 'fixing' the equipment and investigating what they can see inside. If you are clearing out and are able to help us, please let your teacher know.



Many thanks
As always.



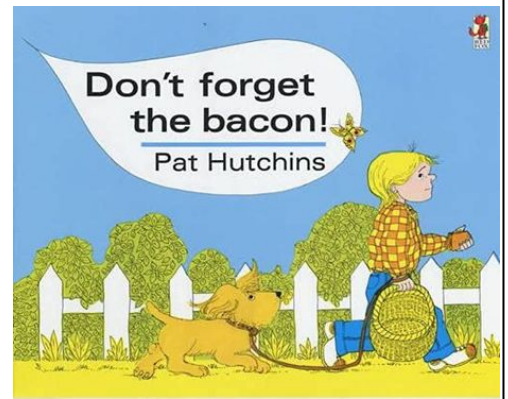
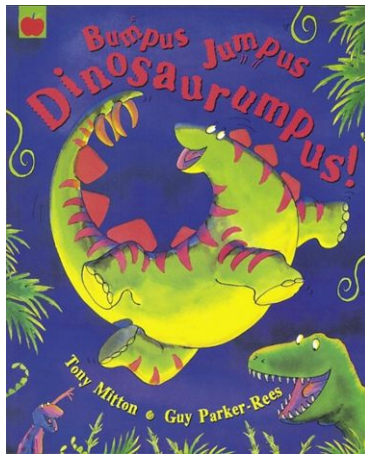
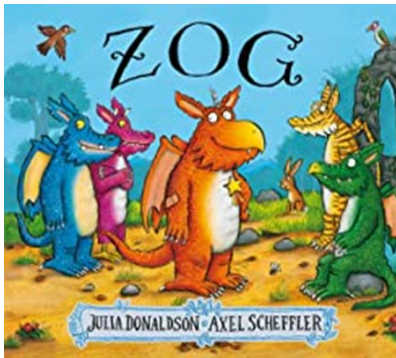
Mystery Reader! - WE NEED MORE OF YOU

We are going into the summer term now! The children love having a visitor to read a story and the love the mystery!

Any member of the family can come! If you would like to volunteer please secretly talk to or email your class teacher.

Remember – DON'T TELL YOUR CHILD! This is to be a surprise for them too!

Three a Day books for Summer 1



These are our 3-a-Day books for this half term.

Zog - By Julia Donaldson

Bumpus Jumpus Dinosaurumpus- By Tony Mitton

Don't Forget the Bacon!- By Pat Hutchins

As you know, we read our 3-a Day books regularly with the children and it helps them learn new vocabulary and to retell stories independently.

Important Dates

Wednesday 29th April - Live phonics in Bronze and Silver.

Tuesday 30th June - Reception Classes trip to Bocketts Farm Park

Bocketts Farm Trip

We are hoping to take the Reception children to Bocketts Farm Park on Tuesday 30th. We will take a coach from school at 9am and return before 3pm. We have been taking Reception children on this adventure for many years now. You should have received a letter from the school on Gateway, giving you further details.



Forest School - Please

The children will have Forest School sessions on a Thursday morning with Riad. The classes will go every other week. We are looking for parents who would be available to support us with these sessions either weekly or on a rota basis. If you think you can help please contact your class teacher (see email addresses below).

Forest School timetable:

April

23rd - Bronze

30th - Silver

May

7th - Bronze

14th - Silver

21st - Bronze

Thank you to all the parents who have helped at Forest School. The children are loving having parents come to help. We can always take more!

School Dinner Menu

The school dinner menu can be found on the school website at:

<https://www.dorchesterprimary.com/page/?title=School+Lunch&pid=114>

Reception Parent/Carer Events 2025-26



September

Welcome to Reception
Tuesday 25th
8:30-9:15am
Come along to
Bronze Class)

October

Early Birds: Fine Motor
Activities
Tuesday 11th
8:30-9:15am
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms.

November

Physics Worksh
Thursday 13th
8:30-9:15am
Come to class

December

EYFS Nativity
Thursday 16th
9:15-10:30am
Welcome to
2:45-3:15pm
Main Hall

January

Maths Workshop
Thursday 22nd
January
8:30-9:15am
Come to Class

February

Live Maths Meeting
Thursday 12th
2:45-3:15pm
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms.

March

Early Birds: Maths
8:30-9:15am
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

April

**Live Phonics
- Wednesday
29th April-
8:45-9:30am**

May

Family Reading
Celebration
Friday 8th
2:45-3:15pm
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

June

Bronze Class
Assembly
Friday 19th
9:00-9:30am
Main Hall

July

Silver Class Assembly
Friday 3rd
9:00-9:30am
Main Hall
Early Bird: Summer Holiday
Activities
Friday 10th
8:30-9:15am

August

SUMMER
HOLIDAYS

Contact emails

If you would like to contact any of us by email. We will reply as soon as possible within school working hours.

Mrs Annabel Glover-EYFS lead/Nursery aglover13@suttonmail.org

Miss Munaza Ahmad - Silver Class mahmad68@suttonmail.org

Mrs Tammy Rich- Bronze Class trich18@suttonmail.org

How We Change Over Time

In the summer term we are going to be learning about how we change as we get older. To help the children a talk about what they were like as babies - what they could and couldn't do - we would love someone to bring in a young baby. It does not have to be a baby brother or a sister, it could be an Aunt or Uncle's baby. If you think you could help with this, please contact your class teacher.



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As part of Eid celebrations, Muslim girls usually decorate their hands with Mehndi (henna).



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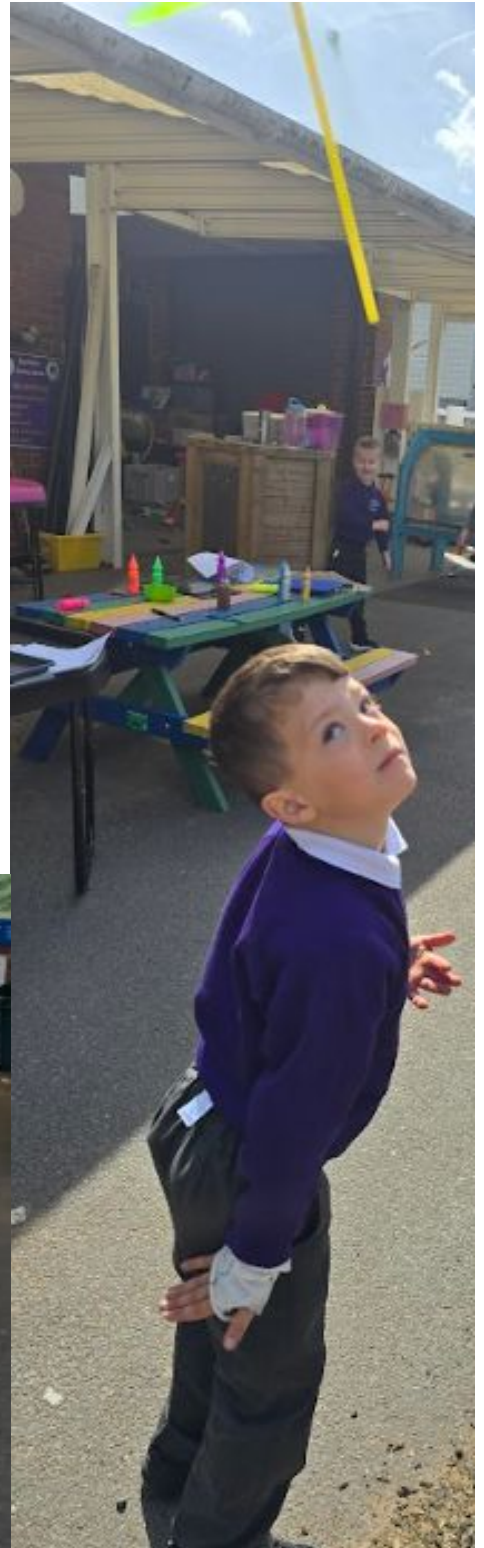
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Can you stack the wonky boxes?



So that's how you do it!



Making and decorating crescent moons and stars for Eid



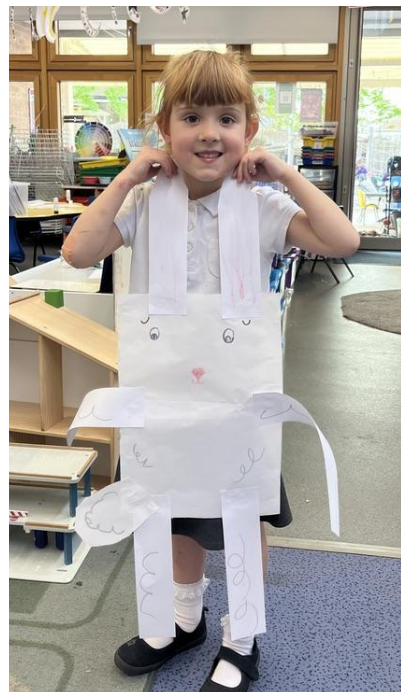
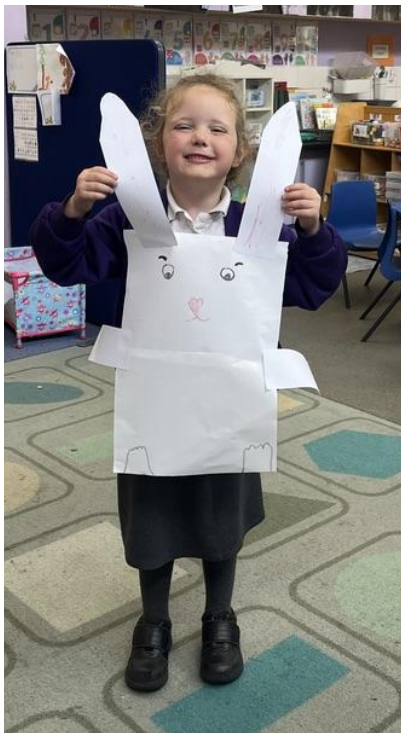
Turn taking. Careful, or it will fall!

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How did you make that jet pack?

Working together to be a train.



It's a bit late for the Easter Bunny!