



Hercules Class Newsletter End of Term 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, how quickly this term has flown. I can't quite believe we are in our final few days as the Hercules Reception Class! Your children as always have continued to be so enthusiastic with their learning.

In maths we have secured number to 10. We explored number beyond 10 and introduced using tools to solve number problems. We have also explored 3D shapes, length, capacity and patterns.

In literacy, the children fully embraced the story of 'The Three Little Pigs', producing some beautiful pieces of written work. In their final piece of written work the children created their own version of the three little pigs by changing the characters in the story. Characters ranged from koalas, cheetas and unicorns through to pens! Their imaginations know no limits!

Our topic this term has been 'Food glorious food'. We did some blind food tasting and created a chart of our favourite foods. We explored the past and present day methods of milking cows, even trying out the old fashioned method of milking cows using coloured water and latex gloves. The children also made their own butter by shaking cream in small jars; it was quite delicious!

We were very proud of the children's participation in sports day. Even though a few of the children were apprehensive, they all joined in. This term in PE the children have been learning how to play rounders and this culminated in a lovely morning out at the local playing fields to play rounders and have a little picnic.

The children have also enthusiastically engaged in their music lessons this term, participating in drumba. They have learned how to hold the drum sticks correctly and the different rhythms/beats they can play to the songs.

All of the children have made great progress with their reading this term, so thank you for your continued support by reading with them at home. We have a number of children who have now achieved their gold reading certificate which is fantastic! So please, keep reading with your children over the summer break.

We said a temporary farewell to Mrs Horrocks as she went on maternity leave. The children made her a card and are very excited about meeting her baby when we come back in September. We wish Mrs Horrocks all the best and look forward to her rejoining us after her maternity leave.

We are all thrilled to be in a position to continue to work with your children after the summer holidays as we transition from a straight reception class into a mixed reception/year 1 class.

So all is left to say is have the most amazing summer with your children and we look forward to working with all the children again in September, where our first topic will be 'Space'.

Mrs Hanna, Miss Horrocks, Mrs Stables, Miss Ford and Miss Degville

