# Reception News - Friday 20th April

## Hello everyone,

What a wonderful first week back. On Monday we discovered HUGE egg in our garden and a message from some very important scientist. They told us that they had been investigating the mysterious egg but couldn't work out which animal it belonged to. They sent us their information book so that we could help.

In our literacy sessions we have been exploring the information book sent by the scientists. This gave us clues that helped us to decide who the egg belongs to. We found out it belongs to a DINOSAUR! To read this information we have had to use lots of reading strategies beyond sounding out and blending. You might have noticed those strategies have been stuck into our reading records to help us to remember. We are SO good at using the context of the sentence, along with the picture clues and initial sounds to work out the trickier words such as **round**, **oval**, **blue**, **eat**, **spotty**.

In maths we have been exploring repeating patterns. We have looked at and made colour patterns like red, red, blue, red, red, blue; size patterns like big, small, big, small; sound patterns like clap, click, clap, click; and movement patterns like jump, jump, spin, spin, jump, jump, spin, spin. We were really good at this!

We have made some repeating pattern dinosaur eggs. We used lots of different tools to print. We noticed the different shapes each tool made as we printed it onto the paper.

#### Good Work

We celebrated Luca and Freddy's repeated pattern today. Clap, kick, clap, kick. Well done! To ease us into the half term there will be no new homework this week. But we still have our phonics next steps to practise and those Easter challenges to have a go at ©

Hot Weather Please could you send a sun hat everyday as well as their water bottle.

### <u>Sun Cream</u>

Please apply sun cream in the morning. If you wish for it to be applied again at lunch time, you can send sun cream into school. Please make sure it has your child's name on.

## House Points

Well done everyone! Matthew – Freddy Mark – Jonathan Luke – Emily

John - Grace

## Rocks

Heidi found one of the 'Billinge Rocks' and brought it in to show us. She will be hiding it again for someone else to find. Michael, Jonathan and Heidi have brought their own rocks into school to paint this week. They are thinking of a message to write on it to spread some happiness. They are looking forward to hiding it! If you want to spread some happiness, bring a rock in and we'll paint it!



#### Show and Tell

. We heard all about Molly's trip to Disney Land and a visit to Clearwater sea life centre where Winter the dolphin lived. Molly told us about his tail — it needed to be removed and have an artificial tail instead. We heard about Michael's trip to Centre Parks and all the amazing activities he did like go-karting and the zip wire! Angus has been creative and made some figures using kitchen roll tubes and straws. We loved Annabelle's new Minne Mouse hat! We remembered the funny part of Thomas' story — The Dinosaur that Pooped a Planet. Heidi told us all about her trip to the museum where she found some dinosaur bones and fossils. Grace showed us her sea life medals that she won for finding all the sea creatures. Ruby shared her Home Alone DVD with us and told us about her favourite characters. Finally, we heard all about Caitlin's trip to Ireland to see her Nanna. She showed us the lovely dreamcatcher she bought on her trip. Wow! Lots of lovely news shared today ☺

Have a great weekend!