



Reception News



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Dear Parents/Carers,

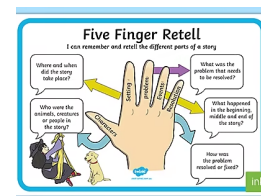
This week is 'Sun Safety Week'. We will be checking and recording the UV index each day and thinking about what we need to do to enjoy the sunny weather safely.

We will be looking at ladybirds and we will find out about other types of beetles too. We will explore where they live and look at life cycles. We will share stories such as *The Bad Tempered Ladybird* and *What the Ladybird Heard*, and use the 'five finger' structure to retell familiar stories and begin to plan and write our own stories.



Key vocabulary: *first, next, after, finally*

In RE this week, we will share the story of Jesus and Zacchaeus and consider how Jesus 'rescued' people who were lonely.



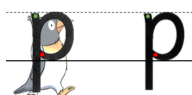
Phonics: We will focus on words ending in -ing, such as *zooming, singing*; words ending in -ed, such as *bumped, grunted* and words ending in -est, such as *softest, strongest*.

New tricky words: *out, today*

Please continue to practise these digraphs and trigraphs at home:

ai	ee	igh	oa	oo
ar	or	ur	er	oo
ow	oi	ear	air	

Please continue to help us by practising **reading and writing** Phase 2 and 3 tricky words at home and using them in sentences, which encourages fluency in reading and writing. Encourage your child to use the tripod grip when holding a pencil.



Handwriting: This week's letter is **p**, and the catchphrase is 'Down the penguin's back, up and around its head.'



Maths: We will practise 'counting on' along a number track and explore problem solving activities involving addition.

Thank you for your continuing support! The Reception Team