

Foundation

This week, we have been learning about the festival of Easter. The children have sequenced and written parts of the Easter Story and made an egg protector to help the Easter Bunny safely deliver chocolate eggs. More ideas for Easter activities can be found on the topic page of the VLE (<https://stfaiths.fireflycloud.net/foundation-1/foundation-topic-4>). We also took part in the whole school Eco-Welfare day on Wednesday where we visited the Wild Place, did some yoga and made a wind sock (photos are here <https://stfaiths.fireflycloud.net/foundation-1/foundation-gallery>)

We have sent home an 'Easter Scrapbook' for the children to use to document their holiday activities. You may like to include photographs, drawings or writing and these will be shared in the first few days of the new term. This activity focuses upon your child's communication skills; they will be able to practise speaking to an audience about past events and develop their awareness of the listener when talking. You will also find some reading books in your child's book bag as mentioned in the letter from Mrs Smith. Please also keep practising with the sound flashcards.

This term in Maths, we have been focusing on reading and writing numbers to 20 and beyond; adding and subtracting single digit numbers; naming a range of 2D and 3D shapes; reading o' clock and half-past on a clock; naming coins; and sorting objects by weight and height. Ways to support this learning over the Easter holidays include:

- Playing board games such as snakes and ladders to practise reading numbers and counting on/back.
- Playing Maths games on the VLE and BusyThings, such as Action Time and Numerical order.
- Sharing Easter eggs, sweets, objects etc.
- Writing the numbers from 0 – 10.
- Counting forwards and backwards to and from 20. Can you start/end at different places?
- Encouraging your child to put an object in different places and then tell you where it is with the use of positional language, such as next to, in front of, beside, under, on top, behind.
- Cooking – weighing and following instructions.
- Setting up a mini supermarket in the kitchen and using real money to go shopping.

Our topic next half term will be 'Journeys', with an overview available on the VLE in the [Pre Prep Parents](#) area.

We hope you have a lovely Easter, enjoy the easing of Lock Down and stay safe. We look forward to seeing the children back in April, in their summer uniforms, and hearing about their holidays.

Happy Easter!

The Foundation Team