

RECEPTION

Summer newsletter

We hope you've had a lovely Easter break

Please email us anytime on the class email address. We'd love to see what you've been up to! We share updates from the class email (e.g. photos sent from home) regularly in class and children love sharing their photos on the board. This email is checked daily and is the best way to contact me about anything you need. We've had a problem with some emails going to junk both on our end and parents' so please let me know if you ever don't get a speedy reply! dtcyearr@tudhoecolliery.co.uk

Staff in class

Class Teacher: Miss Gray (Miss Freeman will cover 1 day per week)

Teaching Assistant: Miss Davies
Apprentice TA: Miss Bright
Miss Davison will continue to volunteer in class on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Seesaw



We will continue to update you with what we get up to in class using Seesaw. We love seeing all your likes and comments.

Sunny Weather (hopefully.)

- Please ensure all children are prepared to be outside in sunny weather.
- Please ensure that children have suncream applied before they come to school
- All children must continue to bring a water bottle to school every day.
- All children should have a sun hat/cap. This can be left at school or brought to school each day.



Phonics: Children are assessed in phonics at the end of every half term. I will send home individual updates on Seesaw to let you know which group your child is in and a link to some videos that can be helpful at home. If your child is in a coloured group, please send their books in every day as they use them in class too. Books do not get changed on a set day of the week which is another reason they need to be in every day. If you have any phonics books at home, please return them to school.

Dream Reads

Dream Reads are a key part of our Love Reading and Oracy work in Reception. It is important that all books are returned each Friday, so another child can have the chance to take that book home. We recently spent a lot of money on new copies of most of the books and some have not come back to school. Please have a hunt to see if you have any school books at home and return them to school. Blue homework books will also be checked on Fridays.

What children need when

Every day: named water bottle, optional healthy snack with child's name on (lots of children bring the same thing or forget what they brought so it really helps if they are named please)

If your child brings home coloured phonics reading books, these need to come to school every day.

Tuesday: children should come to school in PE kit

Friday: Dream Read and blue homework book (if red book bags are empty, they only need to come in on a Friday)

NUMBOTS

You all should have received a login and password for Numbots on Seesaw during the holidays. This is a maths website that can help children at home.



Arthur loves coming home with one of you each weekend! We love seeing photos of what he gets up to on the class email.

Focus Skill

Observational Drawing - in class we say we are using our eyes, not our brains to tell us what to draw.

Lots of our children love to draw and will sit and concentrate for ages on a drawing of a flower or butterfly or car or anything. These ideas usually come from their imaginations or what they think something looks like (e.g. a round bumblebee with big eyes and a smile).

We are working on really looking at plants, insects, animals, pictures, shapes and trying to replicate them in our drawings, which is very tricky, but great for observation and language. We'd love to see any drawings you do at home