Nursery Newsletter 12th May 2023

We hope you had a lovely "Coronation" weekend and enjoyed the celebrations. The children were very excited to tell us that they had seen King Charles' Coronation on the TV. We completed our "wormery" this week and thanks to all the rain, the children found lots of worms to place in their new home.

Mrs Banwell, Mrs McGagh and Mrs Knight

Summer 1 Topic: "We're Going on a Bug Hunt"

Literacy: the children have enjoyed listening to the story, "The Bug Collector," by Alex Griffiths. This is a lovely story about a boy who learns that the bugs are happiest when they are in their own natural habitats. Next week, the children will design their own bug habitats. Supersonic Phonics: we have introduced the children to some new "Supersonic Phonic Friends." We now know the characters - Listening Len, Segmenting Seb, Blending Ben, See it Sam and Writing Ron! The children have been taught the graphemes s (s-s-s-squishy strawberry) and a (a-a-a-amazing apple).

Maths: the children have been challenged to find the different **ways of making 5**. We use sentences such as, "5 is made from 1 and 4" and "1 and 4 together make 5". In a practical activity we used a "five frame" (see the homework task) which provides the children with a visual representation of ways of making 5.

R.E.: the children listened to the Bible story about **Pentecost** and the children learnt that Jesus sent the disciples a new friend - the Holy Spirit.

As May is the special month that we worship Mary, the children have been learning the prayer, **"The Hail Mary"** and we have started making special flowers to decorate our "Mary Tree" which we will display on our class Worship table.

PSED: Can chickens fly? Daisy the chicken can! Daisy the chicken was determined to fly and after lots of practise, she did it! We shared the **"Amazing Daisy"** story from our "Think Equal" curriculum and discussed ideas about our own personal goals – lots of children will be practising back flips this weekend!

Understanding the World: our butterflies should soon emerge. We used a non-fiction book to find out what butterflies eat and discovered that they eat nectar (a sugary liquid) from plants and the sugary juices of fruit.

Expressive Art and Design: we completed our "Very Hungry Caterpillar" art project. The artwork looks amazing! We will post photos on Evidence Me for you to see.

Noticeboard

Lost items: we are missing a jumper and a fleece. Please would you check name labels to check your child has the correct items.

Sports Day – Monday 22nd May (afternoon) – children will need pumps/ trainers, shorts & t-shirts which will be worn to school (please note – the date is provisional as the event is weather dependent).

Absences: please phone the office to advise of absences (0161 865 7705) **Email Contact** Please use your child's class email address to contact the class teacher: <u>pbanwell@stannsrcprimary.co.uk</u> Emails will be responded to during the hours 8:00-4:30pm Mon-Fri