

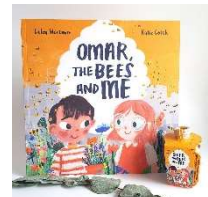
Topaz News

Dear All,



Finally, our beat bus sessions have started. Mrs Davey came and did some rhythm work and singing with us and we had a great time. These will happen every Monday for quite a few weeks now.

We shared this interesting book about bees and friendship which the children enjoyed. It introduced the idea of a bee corridor of flowers so we are going to follow this interest as it fits with all of the learning we are focused on at the moment. The children will be bringing home little packets of seeds next week. Please support from home by helping them to plant and look after their flowers. They could also keep an eye out for some bees and butterflies!



Our Boolean maths has been encouraging us to revisit the quick recall of pairs of numbers that make 5 and then pairs that make 10. We have been using 10 frames. There is a link here to an online game that will help.

<https://www.nctm.org/Classroom-Resources/Illuminations/Interactives/Ten-Frame/>

After discovering that butterflies have symmetrical wings, we have also been exploring symmetrical patterns using all sorts of things.



Reading and phonics



Keep working on your 5 times a week reading or get into the habit. I can see the difference in those children taking on that regular read. At the moment, even if you didn't manage 5 times last week, there will be time to get to seven times and that reading medal before the end of the year. Along the way, you will see some amazing progress too!

Next week

On Friday we will be dressing up event for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will have a forest party in the afternoon! As part of the celebration, please bring a small picnic plate and we will play games and have a forest tea party near our trees that we planted for the Queen's Green Canopy. Our red, white and blue wear needs to be suitable for outside learning.

Kind regards, *Sally Windmill*

