Learning Journal 22.4.16

This week....we have been enjoying the Spring sunshine by getting outdoors in the garden and playing in our outdoor area as often as possible. We planted potatoes, beans, mixed tubs of flowers and salad leaves and we had a great time getting our hands dirty.

The big blocks have been turned into all sorts of buildings and machines this week as we looked at Roman buildings in Britain and especially Hadrian's Wall. We look forward to more amazing creations as the term progresses.











A very busy week working hard!

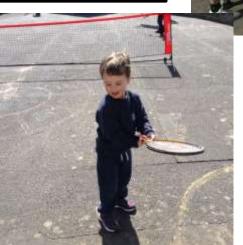
Literacy and Phonics: Reception have homework this week to complete a weekend diary. They are working on writing sentences. Please encourage them to find the next letter in each word in their sentence and to remember the order of the words they want to write.

Mathematics: Our nursery children have been working on capacity this week, practising the concepts of full, half full and empty. If your child has a drink, please use this language and point out when their cup is full, half full or empty.

In Reception we have been learning our 2x table and are very good at working out 2x. This needs to be learned by heart. Can they jump up the stairs two at a time and count in twos? Or can they count out the peas on their plate in twos? It is all good practice!

Other news.....tennis continues to be very popular and your children love working with Grant, who coaches children of all ages. Our co-ordination and racquet skills are improving all the time and we have loads of fun, although we are sometimes a little tired on a Friday afternoon!













Help at Home...... Next week we are all going to be looking at buildings and recording lots of facts about our houses. We hope you will enjoy this activity with your child. Please discuss your house with them and help them complete the questions they bring home.

Next Week.....If the weather continues to be sunny, please can you put sun cream on your child before school as we do spend a lot of time out of doors when we can. It wastes a lot of our learning time, if staff have to help children put cream on every time we go out, and we never let children play out unprotected. Please also consider providing a small labelled bottle of sun cream which can stay in school in case we need to re-apply cream at any time. We do recommend the all-day cream which is now available for children and needs only one application. Thank you for your help in this; let's hope the sunny weather continues. Our playground is also quite chilly, so a coat and jumper are still required for all children.