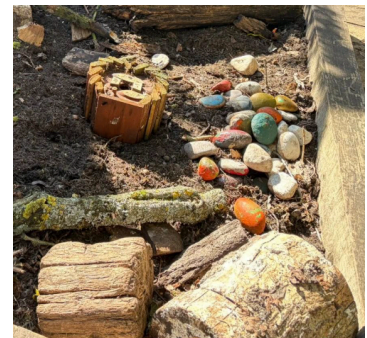
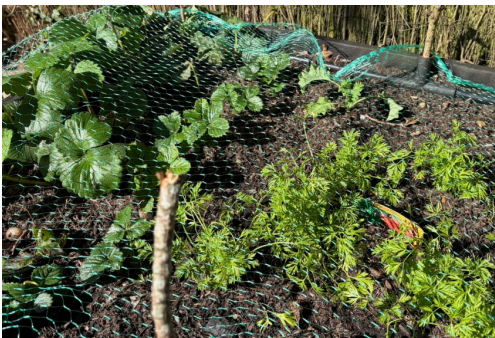


Welcome back from the Easter break, we hope you had a wonderful time over the holidays!

### THIS WEEK

We've had a busy first week of term, singing, drawing, crafting and making the most of the sunny spells by being outside. Hope you have all been looking after your sunflowers - staff have planted some too and we'll post updates as they grow! In our garden, we now have strawberries and carrots growing and can't wait for harvest time. We've been learning about bugs - where they live, how they move and seeing how many we can find in our garden, we have created a new area especially for this. Take a peek over the fence when you're next here!



### NEXT WEEK

World Earth Day takes place every year on 22nd April and we will be spending time next week talking about this incredible place we all call home and the importance of looking after it. From the creatures that live here to the importance of recycling - we'll have stories, songs and crafting activities all about our amazing planet! You can find out more about World Earth Day on the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) website: <https://www.wwf.org.uk/learn/world-days/earth-day>



### SPORTS DAY **Saturday 11th July - SAVE THE DATE**

We are finalising plans for our sports day, which will be on the morning of Saturday, 11th July. This is always lots of fun; it's great to have families involved - mums & dads, don't forget to bring your running shoes! Details of timings, teams etc. will be provided nearer the time.

The Essex Lottery - have you signed up yet? There is a £25,000 jackpot each week and regular special Super Draws. Taking part is quick and easy [here](#)



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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**MAYDAY BANK HOLIDAY**  
**SUMMER HALF-TERM BREAK**  
**SPORTS DAY**  
**LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM**

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Monday 4th May  
Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May  
Saturday 11th July  
Friday 17th July

