Activity Sheet Week Beginning 17/04/23

	What have we been learning about at school?	What could you do to support at home?
Phonics	 In phonics we have had a refresher week to remember all the sounds and words learnt so far and to remind ourselves of them after the Easter break. Next week we will begin phase 4 (there are no new sounds to learn in this level but the words get progressively longer. 	 Please read or practise sounds daily (or as often as you can) as this consistent approach really makes a huge difference to your child's progress with reading and phonics.
Literacy	 This week we have looked at the story of Tad as we were amazed at how much our tadpoles have grown over the holiday. We were also pleasantly surprised to find that out of our 5 caterpillars, 3 have now made cocoons. We cannot wait for them to emerge and find out what their wings will look like. We have been looking at non-fiction books about butterflies this week too. 	 Talk about how you have changed over time. Look at some photos of you were you were a baby. What is the same? What is different? Link this to the work we have been doing in maths. Talk about events in your life that have happened in the past – such as a sibling being born, or a previous birthday, or an achievement you made like learning to ride a bike. Talk about what you are able to do now in the present. Talk about what you would like to be able to do or what might happen in the future.
Maths	 In Maths this week we have been talking about the changing seasons and sequencing them. We have been comparing events that happen at different times of the year too, reminding ourselves of events in the past, those in the present and what will happen in the future. 	
Topic Come Outside	 Our new topic is called Come Outside and follows on very nicely from our previous learning last term. We will continue to look at lifecycles within this but will also consider our key concept question Why do we go outside? To start our week we went on a walk down to the pond. On the way we thought of and observed all the different things we could find outside. These included plants, animals and the weather. We collected some leaves, dandelions and daisies and some of us chose to make crowns with them when we returned. We also looked at blossom on some of the surrounding trees and had fun 	 This term we will look at plants growing and changing as part of our topic. Have a look at the plants and trees in your garden. What is happening to them now? Why is that happening? What will happen to them next.
	 mixing paint to make shades of pink. We then used broccoli dipped in the pink to print blossom trees. We were very excited to meet Ellen this week from Sports Giants. We had great fun getting to know each other and played some games including hide and seek on the field and also found an enormous stick too. In PE we are working on fitness games with Coach Harry. 	

Welcome back to term 5. I hope you all had a wonderful break. The children have enjoyed telling each other about their fun and thank you for all the uploads to Tapestry – we are working our way through them.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Winchester