

## What is happening in Reception this week? 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020

#### Literacy



We have been rehearsing retelling 'The Little Red Hen' using a story map and have read 'The Gingerbread Man'. We will be retelling this and listening to 'The Enormous Turnip' this week. In our phonics, most of us will learn our first special friends 'sh'. We will also learn z, x, th and ch. We will be blending with sounds we know well.

## <u>Maths</u>



We have been learning all

about number 5 and will be learning all about number 6 this week. We will explore different ways to show numbers like fingers, Numicon shapes and spots on a dice. We will also look at 1 more and 1 less.



Topic

This week, in our 'Autumn at School' topic, we will be learning more about Autumn and hibernating hedgehogs. We weren't able to do our walk last week so we hope to do this on Tuesday or Wednesday. We will collect leaves and see what other signs of Autumn we can find. During the week, we will also make our own gingerbread man.

#### Messages

Please try and arrive in the playground at the designated time - between 8.50 and 9.00 for dropping off and 3.10 at the end of the day. As we cannot invite you into school, we are hoping to film our harvest and post this for you to watch. Your child will not be filmed if we do not have permission for them to be. Please let us know if you want them included. We will not be collecting food at school but would ask you to make a donation to a foodbank if you can. Also, please let us if there is an issue with your child making a gingerbread man. Thank you!

# How can you help at home?

Please read to your child and practise sounds everyday! It is so vital in helping your child learn to read. Some children are finding it difficult so need you to help them at home everyday. Things are about to get harder for most children as they learn their special friends - two letters one sound (special friends). We will be assessing the children this week and as from next Monday, they will be grouped according to their stage of reading development. Also, please help your child learn to blend by using Fred Talk. You say the sounds, e.g. sh-o-p and the children try and guess the word is shop. This can be quite a fun game to play with them - see if they can segment for you to guess too! Please watch the videos sent home daily with your child as these will also help them. We are sending home suggested activities about 'number five', which you may want to do to develop your child's understanding. Please practise forming the sounds and ask them to write them in their green books when they can.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions, please call or email the school office. Either myself or Miss Kriketou will contact you back. Have a lovely week!