

# What is happening in Reception this week?

19<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Literacy



We have been rehearsing 'The Gingerbread Man'. We will be retelling this and listening to 'Elmer'. In our phonics, we will be in groups so may be learning different sounds. We will all be trying really hard to blend sounds just like Fred. We will all be practising spelling words with the sounds we know well like cat, dog and bit.

## Maths



We have been learning all about number 6 and will be learning about number 7 this week. We will explore different ways to show numbers like fingers, Numicon shapes, 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 thinking about colours. We will explore Autumn colours through painting leaves but will also think about other colours too. We will explore what happens when we mix different colours together. We will be trying to make all the colours we can see on Elmer. We will also be thinking how we are unique and special, just like Elmer.

## 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 are not allowed to invite you in, we have filmed ourselves retelling 'The Little Red Hen' and singing some Harvest songs. We would normally have performed them for you but think this is the next best thing. The videos will soon be available via our website, so please keep an eye on your email for the links to view them. We hope you enjoy them and see how well we are learning at school.

## How can you help at home?

This week, from Tuesday, the children will be grouped for their phonics. Most children have gaps in their sounds and will focus on learning these. Please practise their sounds with them everyday - try and get quicker and quicker! We all now need to be able to orally blend words to help our reading. Please say some 3-sound words to your child for them to orally blend. These are words like c-a-p for cap and d-i-g for dig. If your child is able to do these, try other ones like c-o-a-t for coat and t-ee-th for teeth. The easier this becomes, the easier reading will become. If your child is sent home video links, please watch these with them as being taught the sound twice each day will really help them. Also please remember to read stories to them each day too. We are also sending home suggested activities about 'number six' that 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!**