

# What is happening in Reception this week? 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

#### Literacy

We will be looking at some firework poems this week as well as reading 'The Rainbow Fish'. In this story, 'Rainbow Fish' thinks he looks so beautiful with shiny scales. He has so many but won't share them. He learns that sharing is so important. We will all be trying really hard to blend sounds, just like Fred, and practising spelling with our sounds.

#### <u>Maths</u>

We have been learning about number 7 and will be learning all about number 8 this week. We will explore diffe show numbers like fingers. Nu



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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.



This week, in our 'Autumn at School' topic, we will be think fireworks and rainbows. We will explore the images and colours we see. We will be thinking about the sounds of fireworks and exploring these with musical instruments. We will be learning about why we have bonfire night and why we need to take care with fireworks. We will watch some firework videos and paint firework pictures.

### Messages

We hope you had a lovely holiday. Please remember to 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. We hope you all managed to see our Harvest songs and retelling of 'The Little Red Hen' We hope you enjoyed them. We are so proud of the children. There will be online parent meetings in a few weeks' time and we would encourage you all to book an appointment once the information comes through from the office. If you are not able to make the timings, please let us know as we may be able to arrange a different time. It is so important for us to talk and work together so your child gets the very best!

## How can you help at home?

The children are now grouped for their phonics. Please learn their sounds with them. Some children have gaps and these need to be learned as quickly as possible. 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. Try to help them get quicker and quicker! Also please practise orally blending sounds into words. Say some 3-sound words for your child for them to orally blend. This is words like c-a-p for cap and d-i-g for dig. The easier this becomes, the easier reading will become. We have also sent details of the Maths programme we use called Ten Town in case you want to purchase home access. There is no requirement for this, but if you did want to, it makes sense to have the discount offered to the school.

PE kits came home for washing over the holidays and a few un-named items were left behind. If your child was missing something, please let us know. Please return their kits to school by Friday ready for PE. 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!