

What is happening in Reception this week?

9th November 2020

Literacy



We will continue reading and retelling 'The Rainbow Fish', learning some of the vocabulary in it like 'emerged' and 'admire'. We will be trying to use our sounds to label a picture of the Rainbow fish. We will also be reading the story of Noah's Ark. We will all be trying really hard to blend sounds, just like Fred, and practising spelling with our sounds.

Maths



We have been learning all about number 8 and will be learning all about number 9 this week. We will explore different ways to show the number like fingers, Numicon and ten-frames. We will also look at 1 more & 1 less.

Messages

We hope you are all staying positive during lockdown and are managing to maintain handwashing guidance and social distancing to keep our pod safe at school. As the weather gets colder, it is important your child has a warm coat, a hat and gloves to wear when they are outside. Please take the time to name them and teach your child to put their gloves in their coat pocket when they take them off. This way they will be able to wear them when needed as we do part of our learning outside each day, if it is safe to do so, even through the winter.



Topic

This week, in our 'Autumn at School' topic, we will continue to explore rainbows. We will be looking at the story of Noah's Ark and the symbol of the rainbow. We will explore the colours of a rainbow and how some colours are made by mixing others together. We will use construction kits to try and make an ark and think about the animals that went into the ark.

How can you help at home?

All the children learn their sounds at school each day. Many children are remembering quite a number of them so thank you for helping them at home. Please keep practising with them, as the quicker they can say them, the easier reading will be for them. 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. Our big push is on orally blending sounds into words. Some children can now do this which is brilliant. Please help your child to practise this at home. Say any 3-sound words like h-a-t for hat and b-e-d for bed. Help them to make the connection between the sounds and the words. The easier this becomes, the easier reading will become. Some children are now blending and will bring home sound blending books. Please read these with them. They will be able to sound the word out. If they are not able to blend read a word first time, sound the word out for them. They can orally blend so will be able to say the word. Then get them to reread the word, this time they should be able to read it. If they are still not able to do it, move on and note in their reading record. Please keep books in the reading wallets.

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!