

What is happening in Reception this week?

16th November 2020

Literacy



We will be reading a new book called 'Dogger' that links in with our Topic theme. This story is about a little boy who has a small cuddly dog that is very special to him. The toy accidentally gets lost. We will be learning some of the vocabulary in the story including searched, mistake and anxious. We will also try and write some CVC words using Fred Fingers and our sounds.

Maths



We have been learning all about number 9 and will be learning all about number 10 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 and addition.

Messages

We are really pleased with how much progress the children are making and how independent they are becoming. In order to help them further with changing for PE, could you encourage them to dress and undress by themselves. It would also help them if they learned to turn clothes, like trousers and coat sleeves, that are inside out back to the correct way. We are looking forward to discussing how much progress your child has made at parents evening next week. If you haven't booked an appointment yet, there are spaces left. Please let the office know if you are having difficulties.



Topic

This week, in our 'Autumn at School' topic, we are thinking about special things and special times. We will be talking about our own special things like our favourite toys. We will be looking at pictures of toys in the past and talking about how they are the same and different to our toys. We will find out about Diwali, a special time for Hindus and make a Rangoli pattern with coloured rice. We will also look at road safety this week.

How can you help at home?

Please keep practising sounds everyday, even if your child is now reading words. Also keep practising oral blending 'Fred Talk' with them. 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. As children develop their skills, they will start bringing home words to learn. From these they move to reading phrases on ditty sheets before moving on to Red Ditty books. When your child brings words, sheets or books home, 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. Please keep books in the reading wallets but take out any sheets. These do not need to come back into school. We are planning to send home books for you to read with the children. These will come home on a Friday and should be returned the following Friday.

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