

What is happening in Reception this week?

23rd November 2020

Literacy



We will be reading a new book called 'The Stickman' that links in with our topic theme of special places. This story is about a stick man who gets used as a stick and taken away from his home but eventually gets back home - his special place. We will be retelling the story of Dogger using a story map. We will also continue to practise reading and spelling with our sounds.

Maths



We have been learning all about number 10 and this week will revise our numbers to 10. We will make sure we can read and count 10 and find one more and one less. We will explore combining groups together to find totals—early addition.



Topic

This week, in our 'Autumn at School' topic, we are thinking about special places. We will be thinking about and talking about our own special places. We will be looking at other special places and thinking about how we treat our own and other people's special places. We will explore den building outside, making a special place and making our own stickman linked to our story.

Messages

Sorry for the slight delay on Friday - it seemed to take longer to change from PE! This week we have our parent meetings and we are looking forward to discussing how much progress your child has made. If you haven't booked an appointment yet, there are spaces left. Please let the office know if you are having difficulties. Most children chose to bring home a 'class library book' on Friday. These need to be brought into school this Friday. The children will have the opportunity to change it ready for the weekend. Please enjoy sharing these books with your child.

IMPORTANT

How can you help at home?

Please keep practising sounds every day, even if your child is now reading words. If you are sent links to the sounds they are learning, please watch these with your child. 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 read. 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. Please practise reading numbers and counting with your child and do practical maths, like cooking, with them whenever you 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!**