



What is happening in Reception this week?

10th May 2021

Literacy



We will be reading a new book all about worms this week. It is called 'Wonderful Worms' by Linda Glaser. We will also be reading a book called 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet. This is a funny story about a super hero potato who saves the other vegetables in the supermarket from a very naughty pea. In addition, we will be trying to think of our own number rhymes like 'One Mole digging a hole'.

Maths



We are going to be revising our numbers 1-20, practising counting, reading and writing our numbers. We will also be practising our adding and subtracting skills. During the week, we will explore and develop our estimating skills. Can we estimate how many there are? We will think about things that can help us.



Topic

This term we are thinking about things that live, move and grow in and on the ground. This week, we continue thinking about underground and are going to look at earthworms. We are going to find out about them and make a class wormery. We are going to explore some messy sensory things and have a go at designing our own garden in a tuff tray.

Messages

The children continue to make good progress in their skills with our focus on further developing our listening skills and managing our feelings and behaviour. Thank you to everyone who sent in PE kits - there are just a few children now who need to bring theirs in. Just a reminder, we are trialling a Thursday afternoon for PE. If your child has a class library book at home, please could they return it by Friday so they can choose a new book to bring home.

IMPORTANT

How can you help at home?

This term we are having a focus on developing and improving our communication and language. We are working on listening but also our vocabulary. Sometimes, we assume children understand words but sometimes they don't. This can hinder their learning and impact on their attainment. Gaps grow over time which can impact on future life chances. Each week in school, we are focusing on ensuring our children understand certain vocabulary. This week, please can you talk to your child and check they understand these words. Can they tell you about them? Describe them? Use them in a sentence? If not, please spend time developing their understanding with them, boosting their school learning. This week's vocabulary is:

pyjamas, dressing gown, slippers, sleep

old and new

thick and thin

Please continue to practise sounds, words and reading books with your child. Practise orally blending to support reading and remember to read to your child and talk about stories with them. Please keep all reading in the children's bag so it is returned to school each day - thank you!

We are always here to support you. Education is a partnership. The stronger the partnership, the better it is for everyone. If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything, please let us know. Have a lovely week!