

What is happening in Reception this week?

24th May 2021

Literacy



We will be retelling the story of 'The Very Busy Spider' using a story map and trying to change some of the characters. We will be reading some new books over the week. We will be reading 'Mr Gumpy's Motor Car' by John Burningham and 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. We will be learning our phonics and practising reading and spelling with the sounds we know. We will be practising our handwriting and writing words and phrases about things on the ground.

Maths



We will continue revising our numbers 1-20, practising counting, reading and writing our numbers. We will be practising subitising numbers to 5 (recognise the amount visually, without counting). We will also be trying to order our numbers up to 10 and then 20. We will be thinking which is larger and which is smaller.

Messages

Please remember reading folders, water bottles and ordering lunches daily. Please help your child to become more independent, ready for Year 1, by encouraging them to do the thinking in the morning routines. Rather than telling them, ask them what they think they need to do next. It will take more time, but it will really help thinking and organisation. We have our class photographs this week on Thursday.

IMPORTANT



Topic

This week we continue thinking about things that live or move on the ground. We will be thinking about mini-beasts and vehicles that travel on the ground. We will think about how mini-beasts move on the ground. Do they all have legs? Can we guess the mini-beast from clues we are given about them?

How can you help at home?

This term we are really focusing on developing speaking and listening skills. We are making sure all the children understand some basic vocabulary. In addition, we are also extending their vocabulary by introducing them to words that they may not know. Please spend time talking to your child about the words and using them at home. We need to ensure they know them, understand them and can use them in their talk. We have now almost completed a NELI unit so we are checking we all know these words related to people who help us:

postman, van, envelope, stamp, firefighter, police officer, help, fire engine, ambulance, police car, siren, doctor, vet, healthy, ill, dentist, optician, glasses, check,

Please continue to practise sounds, words and reading books with your child. Practise orally blending 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! Please use numbers and shapes whenever you can, in everyday life, to further develop their mathematical understanding and enjoyment.

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!