

What is happening in Reception this week?

8th November 2020

Literacy



We will continue reading and retelling 'The Rainbow Fish' and 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 practise spelling with our sounds.

Maths



We have been learning 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 making a group of nine and compare groups to see what group has more/less.



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.

Messages

As the weather is getting colder please send your child to school with a warm coat as they do spend time outside throughout the day. A pair of wellies and waterproofs would be really helpful too.

Please remember to return PE kits to school. On a Friday, please could earrings be left at home and could girls wear socks rather than tights.

Please remember to return school books so that the children can select a new one on a Friday.

IMPORTANT

How can you help at home?

The children are now grouped for their phonics. Please learn their sounds with them. Some children have gaps and these need to be learned as quickly as possible. Please read to your child and practise sounds every day using the set 1 green books or cards, out of order. Some children are finding it difficult to remember their sounds so please help your child by practising them daily. You can use the videos to help you! Please remember to record this reading of sounds in their diary. Please practise forming the sounds and provide plenty of opportunities for your child to develop their pencil control with colouring books, white boards, drawing, painting with a brush, etc. They should write sounds in their green books once they have practised them so we can then see how well they have done. Try to help them get quicker and quicker! Also please practise orally blending sounds into words. Say some 3-sound words for your child to orally blend. This is words like c-a-p for cap and d-i-g for dig (see Fred Games links). Each week, on a Friday, the children will be able to select a book from class to bring home for you to read with them. They should return the book by the following Friday so they can select a new one to take home. This week's focused vocabulary (covered at school last week): **rainbow, colour/s, feeling/s, Bonfire Night, fireworks, more/less, safety, Guy Fawkes, Diwali, festival, patterns.** Please practise using these words with your child.

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