

What is happening in Reception this week?

10th October 2022

Literacy



This week, we will be retelling the traditional story of the 'The Little Red Hen' and making a story map for our story 'The Enormous Turnip'. We will also have a non-fiction text about Autumn. We will learn some new words from 'Farmer Duck'. These are crept, wriggled, creaked, wearily, fled and squeezed.

In phonics, some of us will be learning to say, read and write the sounds f, e, l, h, r, but some of us will be revising the sounds we have already learned. We will practise forming each letter correctly and oral blending. We will start learning spelling with Fred Fingers.

Maths



Last week we focused on showing number 4 with different apparatus. This week, we will explore the number 5. We will count 5 objects, actions and sounds, and make 5 in different ways, e.g. 1+4, 3+2 and 5(+0). We will also show 5 in different ways including Numicon, ten-frame, a tower and a dice. We will learn how to form the digit 5 using Ten Town. We will look at 5 sided shapes - a pentagon can make a house shape!



Messages

Topic



This week we will be building on our knowledge about Autumn and Harvest and thinking about changes in the Autumn. We will look at how the weather has changed. It is colder, wetter and windier than the Summer. We will start thinking about the animals and how they are getting ready for Winter. The squirrels are storing food just like we do at Harvest time. Hedgehogs are getting ready to sleep through the winter.

We have our Harvest next Thursday 20th October at 2.15pm in Silver Hall. The children will perform a retelling of the Little Red Hen and sing some Harvest songs. Any food donations will be gratefully received and passed on to our local foodbank.

Please use the school diaries to record any reading you do with your child, including practising their sounds. Please use the RWI links to help you too.

Please continue to help your child develop their dressing and undressing skills at home so they are able to change independently for PE on a Thursday. Some children are finding it a challenge! Please remember to remove earrings on our PE day and avoid tights, unless your child is able to put them on by themselves.

As the days get colder, please send your child in with a warm coat, ideally with a hood. They will also need hats and gloves which should all be named. Thank you!

How can you help at home?

Some of the children are remembering their sounds well, others are finding this more tricky. Please help your child by practising all the sounds they have learned daily at home. If they are having problems, use the picture side to help them and the sound links. Remember to record this in their diaries. Please also practise forming each letter correctly using the sound phrase (green book) and the sheets sent home with each new sound. They can then write these in their green books.

Please use the RWI links for word blending and oral blending to help your child. They will play Fred Games and practise blending sounds together. These are as important as learning their sounds and they cannot read until they mastered this. Please use these to support them, especially if your child has been absent to help them learn missed sounds. Please read and share stories with your child.

You can support your child's Maths learning by undertaking some of the suggested activities from the maths home learning. We will also sometimes send home ideas to support our topic learning.



Learning from last week

If you have any comments, concerns or questions, please come and speak to Mrs Kalampaliki or Ms York.
We hope you all have a lovely week!

