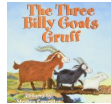


What is happening in Reception?

Week Beginning May 22nd 2023

Literacy



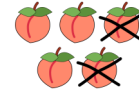
Fred Talk



We will be trying to create our own class story using the story of 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' to help us. We are trying to learn and use some of the vocabulary in our book called 'Aliens Love Underpants', including *breeze, invited, delighted, zoom and lurks*.

In phonics, we are now all learning special friends. We will all be practising oral blending, reading green and red words, practising writing sounds and spelling words with the sounds we know well. We are all practising writing CVC or CCVC/CVCC words, writing them in phrases with finger spaces. In handwriting, we are trying to write our letters at the correct relative size and learning to write capital letters. (NB — V = vowel and C = consonant)

Maths



In Maths, we will be reciting numbers to 30 and back. We will also be practising counting to 20 and writing our numbers to 20. During the week, we will practise subitising numbers to 5 and our number bonds to 5 then 10. We will also be exploring subtraction. We will try to take away a small number from a number to ten, using counters to help us.

Topic



We are continuing our topic 'How is life in the UK the same and different to other places in the world?' We will be focusing on China this week, thinking about the weather and how it is the same and/or different to our environment. China has very warm and wet places but also some cold places around the Himalayas. They have animals like giant pandas and plants like bamboo. They grow and eat quite different food that they eat with chopsticks. We will be looking at photographs of the clothes they wear and the homes they live in. In China, farmers wear cone shaped hats. Traditional houses are pagodas with curved roofs. They celebrate New Year in late January or early February.



Messages

Please make a huge effort to get your child to school on time. School starts at 8.45am and our door opens at 8.40am.

This time of year, the weather can be a little unpredictable so please ensure your child has suitable clothing for their outdoor learning. A lightweight jacket kept in their bag, is always a helpful thing to have as the weather warms up.

Can we please ask everyone to check all the children's clothing is named - thank you!

PE will now be on Fridays so could earrings be removed or taped up before school if your child has pierced ears.

Please remember to use Oxford Owl for electronic copies of RWI books and quizzes to support your child!



How can you help at home?

Please continue to practise oral blending with your child daily. If they can blend 3 sounds then please extend them to 4 or 5 sounds to help them progress in their reading. The Fred game links and Oxford Owl activities will help with this. Please practise sounds daily and listen to your child read if they are bringing home words, sheets and/or books. Some children are now learning set 2 sounds and these can be trickier. Please continue to practise reading all the sounds they have learned.

Please share books and read to your child every night if you can. Try and develop a love of reading that will stay with them for the rest of their lives! The children should practise reading regularly Oxford Owl can help with this.

Ten Town will give your child access to all the stories and songs they know and a range of activities designed to develop their understanding of numbers.

You can also support your child's Maths learning by undertaking some of the suggested activities from the maths home 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 and a wonderful half term break!