

What is happening in Reception this week?

30th September 2024

Literacy



This week, we will be retelling the traditional story of 'The Little Red Hen' using our story map. We are practising retelling it ready for our Harvest celebration. We will also be listening to the story 'Farmer Duck' by Martin Wadell. We will talk about the characters, their feelings and the problems they had.

In phonics, we will be learning to say, read and write the sounds c, k, u, b, f. We will practise holding our pencil with a tri-grip and forming each letter correctly. We will also play Fred Talk games to help us with our oral blending. We will try blending with sounds we know, using magnet boards.

Maths



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

Topic



This week we will be building on our knowledge about Autumn and Harvest, thinking about some of the things that happen at Harvest time. We will be making and tasting our own bread, just like the Little Red Hen. We will use flour and bake it in the oven just like she did. We are also going to make and taste some leek and potato soup with our bread. We will prepare the vegetables and combine all the ingredients in the recipe. We will also have a special visit and learn how sausages are made and a cow is milked!

Messages

Thank you for booking a parent meeting slot. You can speak to the class teacher if you are not able to make these dates so an alternative time can be agreed. It is so important that we work together!

Thank you also to those parents who came to our phonics workshop last week. Please remember to practise learning sounds with your child and playing oral blending activities. These are the two elements they need to starting reading. Don't forget to use the RWI links to help too!

We ask that you continue to help your child develop their dressing and undressing skills at home so they are able to change independently for PE. Please 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.

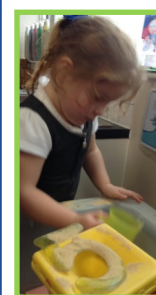
We are making our own bread with leek and potato soup. Please can you confirm your child is able to taste these by completing our online form.

How can you help at home?

Some of the children are remembering their sounds well, while 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 remember the sounds and use the links. They need to say them very speedily, so practise them as often as you can. 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 read and share stories with your child. The RWI links you will be sent home can support your child's learning and help you better understand how they have learned each sound. Please use these to support them, especially if your child has been absent to help them learn missed sounds.

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.



Our Learning

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