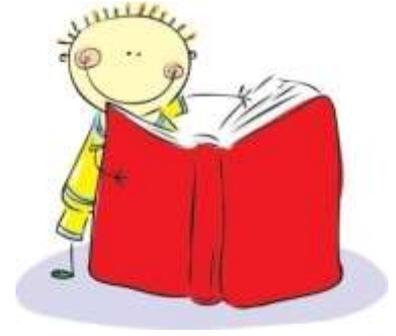


# Reception Newsletter

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Another busy week has passed and I am so pleased with how the children have settled in. They have done so well getting used to the routines of school and are ready to come in full time next week!

In phonics this week we have revised the letter names learnt last week and have particularly focused on the following letter sounds: s, a and t. The children have played various games which helps them to recognise these initial sounds in words. Maybe you can see if your child can spot these letters around the home, at the shops or in books you read together? You could discuss the sound they make.



The children have enjoyed reading some Traditional Tales this week. We have read 'The Gigantic Turnip' and 'Little Red Riding Hood' which the children loved! We used construction bricks to set the scene for 'Little Red Riding Hood' and lolly pop characters to take on the different character roles. The children worked well in their small groups.

The children have practised counting and learning number correspondence. We have used the following website this week: -

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

On the Topmarks website we focused in particular on the Underwater Counting Game but there are many more the children may enjoy playing at home.

Please could the children bring in their 'Getting to Know Me Box' on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September** so we can share them in class? Many thanks.

I would just like to share the morning and end of the day routines in Reception with all of you as until now the children have been split into morning and afternoon sessions, meaning you may not be aware of these routines. In the morning the children can come into school from **8.40 am**. Mrs Mitchell will be on the gate to welcome the children in and I will be in the classroom with the children. The gate will be shut at **8.50 am**, so if you happen to be late one morning (sometimes it just happens) please don't worry, just go and sign your child in at the office and they can come into

class. At the end of the day we will bring the children out onto the playground and stand in front of the green double doors by the hall. Please do use the contact book to let us know if your child will be collected by anyone else as we are unable to let them go with another adult without your explicit consent.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend! I look forward to the whole class joining together! ☺

Best wishes,

Miss Dale