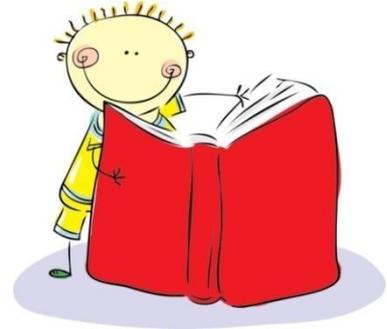


Reception Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2017

The children have been fantastic this week! They have settled in well to their full time routine and it has been lovely to have the whole class together. The children enjoyed sharing their 'Getting to know me' boxes and I was impressed with the effort and care which went into all of them. It has been a lovely way for us to get to know each other. Thank you for supporting them with this activity. I am happy for the children to bring them back in again next week if they would like to.



In phonics this week we have revised the letter names learnt so far and have focused on some letter sounds in particular. This week we have focused on p, i, and n. The children have played various games which helps them to recognise these initial sounds in words. We have also been practising forming these letters on whiteboards and holding our pen correctly. When we have our phonics evening I will also share some information about our handwriting scheme at school and how we teach the children to form their letters as we use the pre-cursive script.

The children have practised counting and learning number correspondence. We have also focused on 2D shapes, recognising, naming and describing their properties. The children also practised estimating how many objects they could see and counting the objects to see how close they were.

The children enjoyed their first PE lesson this week and did really well having a go at undressing and dressing. I would like to apologise in advance for any PE items that go walkabouts, we do try our absolute best to ensure everyone has their own items after a session. Thank you for naming many of the items, this really helps us find the right owner. We will send the PE kits home at the end of each term.

We thought about Harvest this week and looked at some real produce such as carrots, parsnips, swede, courgette etc and discussed how the food grows and how it is harvested. The children also created lovely oil pastel drawings of the produce which we are going to use on our Harvest display.

On a Tuesday I have my PPA time and on a Wednesday I have my KS1 Leader time so Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Burling will be with the

class on those afternoons and will see them out at the end of the day so they will be able to pass on any messages you may have.

Mrs Mitchell and I have our second day of First Aid Training on Thursday, therefore Mrs Burling and Mrs Robinson will be in class. I will still help the children come into school and get them settled in the morning, also at lunch and at the end of the day.

The KM came in to take our photos, so keep an eye out for us in the local paper! ☺

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,

Miss Dale