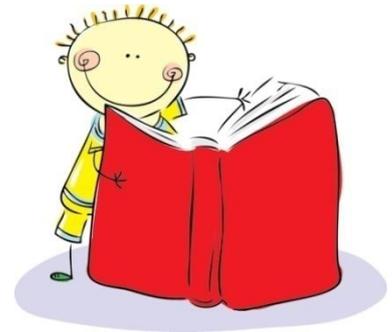




Reception Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2019

I cannot believe we have reached the end of the first term! The children have settled into school and routines really well and they deserve a good rest over half term. I am really proud of all of them!



In phonics this week we have been revising all the sounds we have learnt already and we have introduced the following new sounds: - ee, ay, sh, ch, oo and ng. The children have focused on using sound buttons this week and know that these sounds, the digraphs, are represented by a sausage (a dash under the letters) and that the individual sounds are represented by a bean (a dot under the letter). The children loved the word and picture match challenge with parents and their blending skills are really improving.

In our maths sessions this week the children have focused on capacity. We compared different containers and their capacities and have considered which containers hold the most and least. The children estimated how many cubes a container could hold, then filled it up with cubes, counting each one at a time to check how close they were to their estimates. We also carried out an investigation to see who had the biggest shoe! We used cubes to see whose shoe could hold the most.

It was lovely to have parents in again this week to observe the children during their phonics session and stay and play with them. The children loved having you in class. I hope the sessions have been useful. Thank you for giving up your time to come and see us in class!

I have sent a leaf home with the children this weekend because I would like them to decorate their leaf with drawings, photos or writing about their achievements at home. This could be anything from riding a bike without stabilisers, to doing well with a hobby, creating something at home etc. Absolutely anything which the children are proud of and that they think is a great achievement for them! We are then going to display the leaves on our Celebration Tree in the classroom so everyone can share their achievements with one another. Please could the leaves be completed and returned to school by **Monday 28th October?** Many thanks.

A massive thank you to our chicken sitters, I hope the chickens are very well behaved for you!

I hope you all have a lovely half term!

Thanks for your continued support,

Miss Dale



Activity Time

