



Year R Learning Letter

Friday 25th September 2020

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Thank you for helping us to get your children settled so well during their early days at school. It has been so lovely to meet you all and see how well the children have settled! We realise things have been very different this year and we would like to thank you for your flexibility and understanding of the times we find ourselves in. Despite everything, the children have had a positive and happy start to life at North Downs Primary School and we look forward to working with you this year.

Wanted

- Recycling that can be used for junk modelling - nothing bigger than a cereal box please. These resources will be quarantined for 72 hours before children have access to them.

Reminders

- Please remember to name ALL clothing and water bottles. Please make sure your book bag is labelled on the outside.
- Please send your child in with a coat every day.
- Please continue to practise doing up coats independently.
- Please send in named wellington boots.
- If you wish to, please send in a pair of waterproof trousers for outdoor learning.
- Book bags are our preferred bags, rather than back packs if possible.

In the last few days we have...

- Made new friends.
- Discovered our school and class rules and routines.
- Looked in a mirror to see what we look like and compared ourselves to our friends.
- Sung nursery and counting rhymes.

Over the next two weeks we will...

- Improve our fine motor skills using scissors, tweezers, nuts and bolts, playdough, holding a paint brush, holding a pencil or crayon etc.
- Talk about what makes us special.
- Talk about our pets and the job of a vet.
- Develop our joining and sticking skills in the modelling area.
- Read Elmer stories
- Explore our learning environment using We're Going on a Bear Hunt.

P.E.

Moving forward, from the week beginning 5th October, all children should come to school wearing their school P.E. kits, trainers and school jumper or cardigan every Monday & Wednesday. If the weather is cold, please remember they can wear a pair of jogging bottoms over their shorts.