



Year 2 Learning Letter

Friday 9th October



Helping your child

Over the last couple of weeks, a number of parents have asked us for some practical ideas on how to help their children at home. We would recommend the following:

- Making sure that your child knows the letter names as well as the phonological sound.
- We have noticed that some children struggle to use the correct past tense words when speaking, e.g. 'brunged' instead of 'brought'. We recommend that mistakes are pointed to them and the correct form modelled, as we do at school.

Thank you for your help.

Homework

This week we have started to set homework. Weekly tasks will be set on MS Teams and we would also ask that children do the following:

- Reading with questioning **every night**
- Learning the weekly spelling pattern and completing the spelling bingo grid activity.
- Daily maths practise - see KIRFs on website

NB. Half term homework will be spellings only.

Over the last two weeks we have been:

- Finishing our Fables and starting our work on story writing on Grandad's Island.
- Completing our work on place value.
- Learning about how castles were defended in the past.
- Learning about the basic needs of humans

Over the next two weeks we will be:

- Writing stories based on Grandad's Island.
- Learning how to exchange 10 ones from 1 ten.
- Learning about healthy eating and describing the importance of exercise for humans.
- Learning about the Tower of London

Weekly spelling patterns

From this Friday we will be sending home weekly spelling patterns. The children will stick the spelling pattern into their diaries on a Friday and it shows the pattern and any subsequent rule that should be applied. The words provided are just some examples of the pattern and children should be learning the rule, not just these words. We recommend a few minutes every night to learn the pattern.

Useful Websites

<https://www.spellzone.com/games/asteroid/index.cfm?wordlist=5303>

http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=story_files/mouse_house_US.swf

Individual School Photos

On Thursday 15th October Geoff, our wonderful school photographer from Lawrence Godfrey, will be coming to take individual school photographs of the children at our Brockham site and visiting Leigh the following day on Friday 16th October.

Unfortunately, this year we will not be able to provide the opportunity for sibling photographs.