



Year R Learning Letter

Friday 23rd October 2020

Edition No.3

We cannot believe how this term has flown by and we are already breaking up for the half term holiday. The children have made a positive transition from nursery to school and have been working very hard, learning lots of new skills. They continue to amaze us with their increasing levels of independence and are managing our daily routines like true experts! We are very much look forward to sharing their successes with you at our first online parent consultation meetings during the next half term. We wish you all a restful, safe and happy half term holiday and look forward to seeing you on Monday 2nd November.

In the last two weeks, we have...

- Shared the story of The Hungry Caterpillar.
- Talked about how we are all special.
- Recognised numbers to 10 using Numicon and other maths equipment.
- Made patterns using counters, fruit, letters and numbers.
- Discussed healthy eating.
- Practised our scissor skills.
- Learned about the role of a vet.

Reading

Children will be bringing home simple word books to read together after the half term break. Please encourage your children to look for and identify sounds and 'tricky words' they have learned, as per the list sent out previously. We are also teaching the children to segment and blend taught sounds/ phonemes by making use of their fingers (your child should be able to demonstrate this for you!). We will share a reading presentation with you online next month to give you further guidance and advice to help your child along the reading journey. Details to follow.

Wanted

- Kitchen roll tubes for making "fireworks".

Reminders

- Please remember to sign up for the flu vaccine if you wish your child to receive the vaccination.
- Please remember to name **ALL** clothing, shoes, bags and water bottles.
- Please send your child in with a warm, waterproof coat every day.
- Please continue to practise doing up coats independently.
- Encourage your child to dress independently.

In the next two weeks, we will....

- Compare objects using mathematical language - longer than, shorter than, taller than, heavier than, lighter than, old, new.
- Explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.
- Talk about firework safety.
- Continue learning phase 2 letters and sounds, along with more tricky words.
- Develop our letter formation skills.
- Learn about Diwali celebrations.

Outdoor Learning Week 2nd November 2020

We are very fortunate in Reception that much of our learning takes place outside but to celebrate National Outdoor Learning Day on November 5th, we will be planting seeds in our learning environment. We have received seeds from the RHS but if you would also like to contribute to this experience, please send your child in with one bulb on Monday 2nd November.