

Thank you so much for sending in bulbs for our outside areas, the children thoroughly enjoyed planting them and are looking forward to seeing them grow over the coming months. Despite this year being different, with most bonfires and firework displays cancelled, we have enjoyed learning about the story of Guy Fawkes and the Hindu celebration of Diwali. The added excitement of experiencing a real bonfire at school was a real hit for Robins last week and inspired lots of lovely conversations, creativity and independent writing. Owls are looking to their bonfire experience next week when Mrs Ottaway will visit them and carry out their bonfire and some outdoor activities.

Over the past two weeks, we have...

- Solved firework problems
- Made fireworks
- Used Purple Mash to make firework pictures
- Learned how to keep ourselves safe around bonfires
- Made Diva lamps
- Shared dinosaur books, learning the difference between fiction and non-fiction

In the next two weeks we will....

- Use our sounds to write words
- Learn dinosaur facts and use them to play 'guess my dinosaur'
- Continue learning to read and write our common exception words - the, I, no, go, to, into
- Explore coins up to 20p in our dinosaur shop

Home learning

Children are now bringing home simple reading books to share. Please point to the words as you read them to your child and then at the end of the book see if your child can see any words they recognise.

Please use the Oxford Reading Tree character sheets sent home previously, to get to know the characters together and to learn to read their names on sight.

We continue to learn new sounds Monday to Thursday. You could encourage your child to form the letters they already know and spell short words using the sounds they have learnt. E.g. cat, mat, pat, rat, pin, tin, in, it, is, cot, got, kit. This will support the learning we are doing in school.

Tapestry

You should have received an activation email to allow you to activate your child's Tapestry account. If you haven't yet received this do let us know. During the year we will upload examples of significant learning for you to share with your child. You can also use Tapestry to share any 'Wow' moments from home too. If you have any questions regarding Tapestry and how it works please let us know.

Induction

Following the changes we made to our induction process this year, we would appreciate your feedback. This information will be used to help us to adapt our approach in future. Please could you complete the form using the link below by Wednesday 18th November.

<https://tinyurl.com/y3p8wvyk>