



Year R Learning Letter

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We are so proud of our children! They are looking so grown up and engaged in their learning. We can't believe this is our last term together, how the time has flown! We are really looking forward to our theatre visit on Friday 3rd May; just a reminder that all children will be based at the Betchworth site on this day.

We have really enjoyed the start of the summer term, our 'Where We Live' topic is going well and it has been lovely using the photos you have sent in, to talk about our homes. If you haven't yet sent yours in, and would like to do so, please send in a picture of the front of your home via email to us at info@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk.

Over the last week we have...

- Shared the story of the 3 Little Pigs.
- Talked about our own houses and looked at different types of houses.
- Developed our understanding of subitising and number composition.
- Continued revising phase 3 sounds and tricky words.
- Started learning our dance for Maypole.
- Started our new PSHE topic of Relationships, through our weekly Jigsaw lessons.

Over the next 2 weeks we will...

- Walk around our villages to explore what makes a village a village.
- Make "maps" of our journey to school and what we saw on our walks.
- Sort building materials.
- Use the part-part-whole method for number composition.
- Go on our first school outing, to see The Tiger Who Came To Tea.

Reminders

- Some children are now in summer uniform. Please still send in a coat **every day**.
- Please apply sun cream to your children **before** school and send them in with a named sun hat.

Requests

- Please remember to return any borrowed clothes.
- Ingredients to make play dough for our weekly dough disco! Flour, cream of tartare, salt, oil.

Numbots

To help children practise their maths skills at home, Reception children have been allocated accounts with Numbots. They can login at <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login-type?> using the same user names and passwords used with Bug Club. We hope you have fun with maths!

Be Dog Smart

The Dogs Trust have authored a book for Reception aged children, called 'Be safe, be kind' which is free to download from their website:

<https://www.learnwithdogstrust.org.uk/resources/3-5/besafebekind-eyfs.pdf>

'Be safe, be kind' is designed to be read and re-read at home and includes some simple songs which use familiar tunes to help children remember what they have learnt.