

Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

02.02.2024.

Hello everyone!

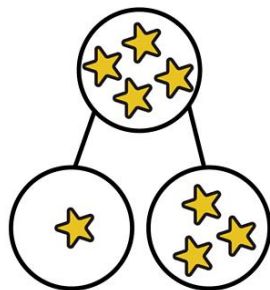
What have the children in Reception class been busy learning this week? ...

Maths

We have been focusing on addition in math's this week. The children have been exploring different approaches to addition. This includes counting on (8 people on a bus and 4 more people get on. How many people are there now?) and adding two distinct sets together (There are 4 oranges in a bowl and 5 bananas on a plate. How many pieces of fruit are there altogether?).

Home learning: Practice the different counting approaches with your children through playful experiences.

Key Vocabulary: Sets, how many, altogether, counting, total.



Our core this week was:

The Gingerbread Man.



The children have loved this familiar story and joining in with the repetitive phrases and chants.

We focussed on exploring, designing and creating a boat for the Gingerbread Man to cross the river. The children have been creating boats using junk modelling and in the construction area. During outdoor play the children created a gigantic boat for all the children to go across the river as well.

Phonics

We have continued with our phase 3 phonics. This week we have focussed on one phoneme (sound) "qu".

"qu" is a **digraph, two letters that make one sound.**

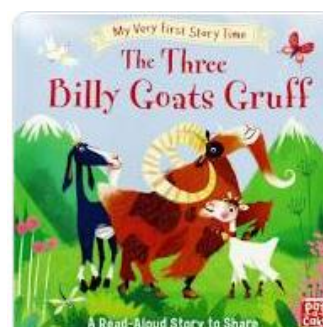
The children have been recognising and recalling the phase 2 and phase 3 sounds, blending the sounds to read words and we have even been holding sentences in our heads to independently write.

Home learning:

Ask your child what is a digraph? (two letters that make one sound).

When you are reading can your child find the digraphs?

Next week:



Important Notes:

- Please read **DAILY** with your child.
This is essential for children to become fluent with their reading and to revise new sounds.
- Please help us to promote your child's independence.
Encourage them to cut their own food and get dressed independently.
- Please label **ALL** your child's clothes!
- **PE** is **Monday afternoon** and **Friday morning**. Please bring a PE kit.
- **Forest School** will be on **Wednesday** next week.

Important Dates:

- **Stay and read: Tuesday 6th February, 2024 8:45-9:15.**
- **February Half Term: School closes 15:30 Friday 9th February.**

Awards:

Writer of the week: Affan

Our value – Love: Zayn

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Smith, Miss Haworth and Mrs Malik