

KEY DIARY DATES

Thursday 29th September -
Individual school photos

Friday 21st October -
School finishes for half
term.

Please don't forget that
our email is
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Please don't hesitate to
email if you have a
question or a concern
and we will get back to
you as soon as we can.

Welcome to Reception

We are so pleased with how the children have settled into school so far this half term. It has been great to see how many of you have already accessed our Welcome to Reception information video on Tapestry. If you have not yet done this then please try to watch it by the end of next week.

This half term we welcome Karl Gilbert to our team, he is a teaching student who will be with us for most of the year.

Homework

This Friday the children will bring home their first homework. Please do not feel under any pressure to complete the sheets each week but they are great to use to help the children practice their sounds even if they don't want to write. We mainly send them home so that you are aware of the sounds we are learning and if your child is keen and wants to complete them then that's great. However, if your child does complete the sheets then please return the folder to school the following week. They will then be put back in their book bags on Friday with their new sounds in.

Learning café

We are excited that our first Learning café will be on Monday 17th October at 1.30. The theme will be phonics. You will get the chance to find out how we teach phonics and also observe a lesson in your child's class. You will then get to complete some phonics based activities with your child. Please complete the form on Parentmail when you receive it to let us know if you can come.

Tapestry

It is great to see so many of you on Tapestry now and using it regularly to comment on what your child has been doing and to post pictures of what you have been doing at home. Please do let us know if you have any problems logging in.



Maths

This week in maths we are focusing on counting accurately. We will be using a puppet who will make errors when they count and the children have to help them learn how to count carefully and accurately. Next week we will be looking at how numbers are made up of other numbers, mainly focusing on numbers 3 and 4.

At home your child could ...

- Count in sequence to 10 and beyond.
- Count things when you are out and about
- Help them to notice numbers and amounts around them.
- Help them to count out small sets of objects accurately.
- Explore how 3 and 4 are made of other numbers. E.g. 1 and 2 is equal to 3, 2 and 2 is equal to 4.

Phonics

This week we started our Read Write Inc phonics sessions where we learn one sound per day. The children have been really enjoying them and I know many of them have been telling you all about them at home. Next week we will also start to use some magnetic boards and letters to make words with the sounds we have learnt so far, m, a, s, d, t.

This week we are learning the sounds m,a,s,d,t and next week it will be i, n, p, g, o . Don't forget that each Friday there will be a phonics video on Tapestry to tell you about the sounds we have done, how to pronounce them and how to form them correctly. The video will also show you the BSL finger sign.

Literacy

Our Literacy Tree, Literacy sessions will start after half term. So for the rest of this half term we will be focusing on listening games and rhyme. We will also talk about our school and classroom rules and the 5 Rs too.

At home your child could...

- Read books together as often as you can.
- Encourage them to practice the sounds they have been learning at school that week.
- Encourage them to practice writing them using the correct formation.
- Talk to your child about what they do at school.
- Help them to find words that rhyme.
- Make up silly rhyming sentences.

