

St Mary's C of E Primary School

Hedgehog Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Families,

What a productive week we just had! We are adjusting so well to formal learning and we are really enjoying the extra 15 mins of outdoor playtime that comes with it too. Our class routines are already running pretty smoothly - this week we have created and agreed on guidelines for how we stick work into our books, how we hand out and collect books as well as how we can work sensibly at our tables - I'm so impressed!



By now everyone will have a reading book and reading record - please keep on making notes and send it to school every day. We are back to doing phonics every day with Read Write Inc. and I am looking forward to seeing our reading improve this year.

In Maths we have learned about the difference between tens and ones in a two digit number and can represent this in a place value chart. We have also learnt how to partition numbers up to 100 into two parts. We have attempted our first maths quiz this week on our KIRFs for the term (Key instant recall facts). I have attached the KIRFs for Autumn term 1 to this letter to give you an idea of what we are quizzed on - maths homework will be based on this - the more they can practise at home the better!

In English we have been practising writing sentences independently. We have created 5 steps to help us write down a sentence: Think of one, say it out loud 3 times, write it down with punctuation, read it to see if it sounds right or if you missed anything and fix any mistakes. This week we have been practising 'long ladder letters' in joined handwriting. We also had our first spelling quiz this week - well done Hedgehogs!



In Geography we have learnt about observing and predicting the weather. We are recording the weather each day as a class to notice how it changes. We have also learnt that satellite images help us to predict the weather, as well as appropriate symbols for different kinds of weather.

We have resumed Spanish on Wednesdays and really enjoyed our first lesson! I have added a photo for you.

Thank you for sending in the paper copy of the homework. Going forward, homework will be posted on Google Classroom. I will keep paper copies, please ask me for one on a Thursday if you can't access it online. Homework will always be posted on a Thursday, and due by the following Tuesday. If possible, please take a photo of the completed homework and upload it online, alternatively please hand me a paper copy of the work. Weekly homework will always have 4 parts:

1. **Reading** every day - please make a note in the reading record. This includes RWI books (independent reading) and reading for pleasure.
2. **Spelling** - please practise LOOK, COVER, WRITE, CHECK x 5 attempts - each word once a day preferably
3. **Maths** KIRFs (Key instant recall facts) practise
4. **Handwriting** practice- can you do one line per day?

Reminders of the week:

- **Please join Google Classroom** - if you click on <https://classroom.google.com/> you should see an invite to join Hedgehog 2022 - 2023. The login details are the LGFL login details, the same as last year. I will make sure the login details are in the front of their reading records. If you cannot see the class, just click on this link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NTI3MzU5OTI5NDk3?cjc=zi6pdso>
- **Please attempt homework via Google Classroom this week if you can. Please note that it is not needed to print it out, you are welcome to copy the work on a blank piece of paper.**

Do let me know if you struggle to get onto Google classroom.

School will not be open on Monday - I will see you all again next Tuesday. Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Kind regards

Mrs Reeve



Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 2 – Autumn Term 1

By the end of this half term, children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **with speed and accuracy**:

I know the number bonds for each number to 20

Children should be able to fluently recall similar facts to those below for all numbers up to 20.

$11 + 0 = 11$	$12 + 0 = 12$
$10 + 1 = 11$	$11 + 1 = 12$
$9 + 2 = 11$	$10 + 2 = 12$
$8 + 3 = 11$	$9 + 3 = 12$
$7 + 4 = 11$	$8 + 4 = 12$
$6 + 5 = 11$	$7 + 5 = 12$
$5 + 6 = 11$	$6 + 6 = 12$
$4 + 7 = 11$	$5 + 7 = 12$
$3 + 8 = 11$	$4 + 8 = 12$
$2 + 9 = 11$	$3 + 9 = 12$
$1 + 10 = 11$	$2 + 10 = 12$
$0 + 11 = 11$	$1 + 11 = 12$
	$0 + 12 = 12$

Key vocabulary

What is 13 plus 2?

What is 14 add 1?

What is the total of 11 and 8?

Top tips

The secret to success is practising *little* and *often*. Use time wisely. Can you practise this KIRF whilst walking to school or during a car journey? You do not need to practise all aspects of the KIRF all at once; perhaps you could have a fact of the day, or a few facts per week to practise? If you would like more ideas, please speak to your child's teacher.

Practical resources and ideas

Write missing number calculations for your child,

e.g. $17 + _ = 18$ or $14 + _ = 16$

