

This week in Reception

Phonics:

In Phonics this week, we will be saying the phonemes 'll, ss, ff, j' and recognising the graphemes 'll, ss, ff, j.' We will be using the term 'digraph' referring to when 2 letters make 1 sound. We will be reading on sight: put, pull, full. We will be learning the 'tricky' words: **as, is, I, the, to, no, go**. We will be spelling: **cat, top, bed, ten, sock**.

Things to note:

Please continue to reinforce the learning of letter-sounds at home and practise blending 3 letter CVC words. In addition, practise cursive letter formation particularly the letters in their name.

What we are learning:

We will be starting our new topic of Light and Dark. We will share the story of Can't You Sleep Little Bear. We will be exploring how the Little Bear is feeling and why. Also, we will work on letter formation and starting to segment sounds to write words. In maths we will look at the composition of numbers. Each number is made up of smaller numbers and children will be encouraged to make links for themselves. We will also be continuing to work on subitising (recognising the value of a small amount without counting). We will be looking at number 5 in depth.

A maths game:

Play a counting game with a grown-up.

- Explain the game: you both put one hand behind your back and say, "Ready, steady, go!"
 - Then, each person reveals the hand hidden behind their back to show a number of fingers.
 - With your child, count and compare the number of fingers you are each holding up. Who is holding up more/fewer fingers?
- You could try showing different arrangements of fingers too.
How could you check that you were right?



And finally: Forest school is continuing this half term on a Monday afternoon.

We are very proud of all the children for how positive they have been in their learning during their first half term at school. Well done, children! Enjoy a well-deserved half term break.

Many thanks