

Reception Weekly News!

Friday 10th March 2023

Tapestry Challenge!

Remember to share your challenge work on tapestry.

We have been paying close attention to the season of Spring this week and looking at what sort of changes we have noticed outside because of Spring.

Lots of animals are coming out of *hibernation* now but it is still quite cold! Please could you encourage your child to build either an insect house (Bug-ingham palace) or a hedgehog house? It can be done in your garden or at your local parks. All you need is a pile of sticks for the structure and some dried leaves and grass to keep it warm (or *insulate* if you're feeling fancy!) This activity aims to develop motor skills and being imaginative and creative.

Good luck!

Weekly Key Words

In monster phonics this week we have been continuing to focus on the HFW words:

come, some, were, one

Can you child sight read and write these words?

Please remember to keep practising the words and sounds in your **blue book**! Thank you.

What have we been learning in phonics?

This week's sound is:

We have been reading and writing words with the 'er' sound.

Can you write out these words on some scraps of paper: *herb, anger, singer, winter, fern, term*. Next, can you hide them around a room in your house so that your child can race around, search for, and read the words. To make it extra fun you could add a timer. You could repeat the activity and challenge your child to beat their previous time.

What have we been learning in Maths?

This week we have been recognising patterns using objects, sounds and movements. For example an AB pattern would be 2 items repeating – fork, knife, fork, knife, fork. To develop this into an ABC pattern we could add a spoon – fork, knife, spoon, fork, knife, spoon etc. A fun activity is to create a pattern song, e.g. Clap, stamp, sneeze, clap, stamp, sneeze. You could then ask if your child wants to add a FOURTH part – tricky but fun! We also tried to trick the children by deliberately making mistakes in the patterns. Lots of the children **really** enjoyed spotting the mistake and correcting the teachers! Can you make a dance pattern using different movements?

We have spent some time in our forest school area this week, hunting for signs of spring. The children have loved all of the fresh air and exercise! We have also begun to introduce our new focus text, 'The three little pigs'. We will concentrate our learning around this theme over the next few weeks. We hope that you have received the Maths

Morning invitations for Tuesday 21st March. We look forward to seeing you!

We have also sent out a message requesting any adult helpers for our weekly wander on Thursday next week at 12:30.

The more the merrier!

And finally...Here is an example of a hedgehog house just in case you need some inspiration. ☺



Don't forget!

- Reading books are changed on a Monday
- Library books are changed on a Friday
- Blue books in school everyday
- PE Kit (white top and black shorts) to be kept in school and named
- No juice in school please, water only in bottles to promote healthy teeth! - Thank you