

# <u> Year R Homework Letter - Friday 22nd September</u>

This week WE started to administer the Reception Baseline Assessments with the children in both Literacy, Language and Communication and Maths. The children very much enjoyed doing the 1:1 activities with me. There is no pass or fail with these assessments, they simply provide us with a helpful snapshot of where your child is when they enter Reception, so they can then be supported in the most appropriate way. Whilst I was administering the assessments, Mrs Kendall, Mrs Vorster and Mrs Fowler taught the class.

### Phonics

This week we have consolidated our understanding of the phonemes s-a-t-p and moved onto the phonemes i, n, m, d. Additionally we have also learnt the following Harder to Read and Spell words: I; no; the. Next week we will start to send home books from the pink book band (1+). These books contain words which the children should be able to decode using the phonemes that they have been taught in class. We have also been working hard at recognising our names and also writing our names this week.

### $\mathcal{R}$ . $\mathcal{E}$

This week in R.E we have been learning about the Christian belief of creation and we read the Genesis story of the creation of the world. According to Christian belief, God created the universe in six days and by day seven God had finished his work and rested, making the seventh day a special holy day for Christians. The children responded to the story by creating moons and stars from paper plates to represent God's creation.

### Harvest

This year in partnership with Christ Church in the village, we will be supporting a local charity called 'Open Hands Reigate'. To help us support this charity, please could you bring in: Multipack crisps and children's meals (e.g ravioli, spaghetti hoops). Please could all donations reach us by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Thank you in advance for your support.

We would welcome any donations of cardboard boxes (all shapes and sizes) or old wrapping paper that you no longer need for an activity we are doing in Maths next week. Many thanks in advance.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Brooks and Mrs Kendall

### Homework

Please continue to read daily with your child and write a comment in their yellow reading log. We will read with your child twice a week and have provided you with two books. I have also set an E-Book on Oxford Owl for you to read with your child. To access Oxford Owl, please use the log-in details stuck into the front of your child's reading log. You will need to visit the website <a href="www.oxfordowl.co.uk">www.oxfordowl.co.uk</a> and ensure that the student tab is selected.

Optional homework: Please use the phoneme flashcards to practise s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d with your child. Please also help your child to recognise this week's Harder to Read and Spell words: I, the, no. I have included a link to help with the pronunciation of sounds: Phonics: How to pronounce pure sounds | Oxford Owl - YouTube

## Díary Dates

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October: Harvest Service at Christ Church. 9.30 am Whole school nasal flu vaccination: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October PTFA Cinema: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: Year R Buddy Collective Worship. 9.00 am (Hall) Monday 27<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>,

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November: Parent and Carer Evening (3.30 - 6.00pm)

