



Year R Homework Letter – Friday 13th October

Phonics

This week has been a review week. We have consolidated our understanding of all the phonemes we have learnt so far this term. These are: s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r

Additionally we have also learnt the Harder to Read and Spell word: pull. So far we have learnt the following Harder to Read and Spell words: I, the, no, put, of, is, to, go, into.

Operation Christmas Child

As part of our 'Love Project' for the Autumn term we are asking families to support Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a Christian international relief organisation. Through Operation Christmas Child, Samaritan's Purse aims to provide children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster or famine with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. This year, in conjunction with Christ Church, we have provided each class with two Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. We are asking for children to bring in a couple of items suitable for boys or girls between the ages of 5 and 9 to fill these boxes. We have attached a list of suitable items to the back of this homework letter or alternatively look on the Samaritan's Purse website:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/>

All items need to be brought into school by Wednesday 15th November. You are also more than welcome to make your own shoe boxes too. Thank you in advance for your support.

Literacy

This week in our Literacy lessons we have been enjoying the book 'Everywhere Bear' by Julia Donaldson. 'Everywhere Bear' is a story told in rhyme about a classroom teddy bear that goes missing. In our Literacy focus group this week, we have spent time using initial sounds to label different areas of the classroom for our own class bear, Buddy. In our Literacy enhanced provision, children were invited to create their own 'lost' posters in order to help find 'Everywhere Bear.'

Homework

Please continue to read daily with your child and write a comment in your child's yellow reading log. We will read with your child twice a week, but provide you with two books. We have also set an E-Book on Oxford Owl for you to read with your child.

Optional homework: Please use the phoneme flashcards to practice all the phonemes covered so far this term with your child. Please also help your child to recognise all the Harder to Read and Spell words covered this term. We have included a link to help with the pronunciation of sounds: [Phonics: How to pronounce pure sounds / Oxford Owl - YouTube](#)

Teddy Bears' Party

Your child's teddy bear is cordially invited to a party on Friday 20th October! Please can your child bring in a teddy on this date. Invitations will follow next week!

Diary Dates

Whole school nasal flu vaccination:
Monday 16th October
PTFA Cinema: Monday 16th October
Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023 – Friday 27th October 2023
Thursday 2nd November: Year R
Buddy Collective Worship. 9.00 am (Hall)
Monday 27th, Tuesday 28th,
Wednesday 29th November: Parent and Carer Evening (3.30 – 6.00pm)

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Brooks and Mrs Kendall