



Year R Homework Letter - Friday 17th November

Phonics

This week we have learnt the phonemes: sh, th, ng, nk
Additionally we have also learnt the following 'Harder to Read and Spell words': push

Jack and the Beanstalk

On Monday morning the children entered the classroom to find a treasure chest of gold coins, a golden egg, some large feet, vines and harp music playing in the background. We wondered what might have happened? Mrs Brooks thought she would check the school's security camera and found footage of an enormous beanstalk growing in the school grounds. Luckily our premises manager, Mr Kolndreu, managed to chop it down before the children came to school, as we didn't want anyone climbing it! We thought the story reminded us of the fairytale 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and we remembered how Jack had climbed the beanstalk and found a castle with a giant living in it at the top. This week in our enhanced provision the children have taken part in lots of activities based around this fairytale. They have painted and labelled magic beans, made castles in the clouds using lego and shaving foam, and used beans to measure the height of different characters in the story.

Nativity

We are very excited about our upcoming Nativity production which is taking place on Tuesday 5th December, (dress rehearsal 2.00 - 3.00); Wednesday 6th December (2.00 - 3.00) and Thursday 7th December (2.00 - 3.00). You will shortly be receiving an email about tickets from the school office. With regards to costumes, this year we are asking children to dress in 'party clothes' - the sparklier the better! Boys can wear their school trousers if they wish, but please no jeans. Please can costumes be put into a bag which is clearly named. Children can start to bring in costumes now if they wish. The deadline for costumes is:

Website

Please take a look at the EYFS classroom page on our website. It is updated every Monday and now includes a blog about all the adventures your children have with us during the week.

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 and 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 practise all the phonemes covered so far with your child. Please also help your child to recognise this week's 'Harder to Read and Spell' words: push
We have included a link to help with the pronunciation of sounds: [Phonics: How to pronounce pure sounds / Oxford Owl - YouTube](#)

Diary Dates

Monday 20th November: School photographer
Friday 24th November: PTFA Non-uniform Day. Bring a bag of sweets for the Christmas Fair
Monday 27th, Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th November: Parent and Carer Evening (3.30 - 6.00pm)
Thursday 30th November: St. Andrew's Day (Blue top) Children in St. Andrew's Team can wear a blue top on this day.
Tuesday 5th December: Nativity Dress Rehearsal (2.00 - 3.00)
Wednesday 6th December: Nativity Performance (2.00 - 3.00)
Thursday 7th December: Nativity Performance (2.00 - 3.00)
Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Lunch
Thursday 14th December: Christmas Service at Christ Church (9.30)
Thursday 14th December: PTFA Christmas Fair (3.30 - 5.30)

We hope you have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Brooks and Mrs Kendall.

