

Reception Newsletter

22nd October 2020

Last Friday we finished our 'All About Me' topic with a teddy bears' picnic. The children made cupcakes, sandwiches and squash. They were very excited and had a wonderful time.

This week we have been learning about autumn. We listened to the story 'We're going on a leaf hunt' and we talked about seasonal changes. The children created their own stories about autumn based on this week's story.

In phonics we have been learning the sounds 't-t-t-' and 'i-i-i'. We focused on reading CVC words made out of the sounds we already know such as sad, dad, at, mat and did. Please keep practicing at home with your child.

In maths we have been learning one more and one less than the numbers 1, 2 and 3. The children used their fingers, objects and numbers to show one more and one less.

In Understanding the world, we explored autumn fruits, leaves, conkers, acorns and pinecones. We learned the names of different trees such as maple, oak, hickory and birch and looked at each tree leaves to identify them.

The children showed interest in making an apple pie after pretending to make their apple pies out of playdough! We talked about what ingredients we needed to make an apple pie and each step of the recipe. Then the children made their own individual apple pies. They were yummy!

In Forest school this week, we had the fun job of looking after the school animals. We have been feeding the chickens, collecting the eggs, and visiting the guinea pigs to deliver tasty treats.

This week's Makaton sign is:

Toilet



This week's key vocabulary is:

- Seasonal change
- Maple tree
- Oak tree
- Birch tree

Home learning:

- Please watch the video on Tapestry explaining the home learning focus for this week.
- Practise reading and writing at home.

We do expect all children to complete their home learning every week.



NOTICES:

School Uniform and Shoes – We do understand that your child may wear wellies when walking to school if it is raining however we do expect your child to change to their school shoes when entering their classroom. Please ensure that your child is wearing their full school uniform every day.

Reading folder – Children should bring their reading folder to school every day. Books of interest are changed every Thursday and we read with the children throughout the week.

Waterproofs – We will send your child's waterproofs home this Friday. Please wash and return them on the first day back to school.

Packed Lunches – Please be aware that we are a nut and sesame free school due to allergies. Please do not send any products containing sesame or nuts in your child's packed lunch.

Illness – If your child has any of the three Covid-19 symptoms (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of smell or taste) they need to self-isolate for 10 days or return to school with a negative test result (send a copy of the result to the office).

We thank you, as always, for your continuing support.
Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

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