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A busy, busy week this week with lots of new learning. If you could still bring in some of your autumn finds that would be great as we are making little creatures using the autumnal resources. Thank you! We have teamed up with our year 5 buddies this afternoon and completed a little art project together. We have had a picture together and this will go on display in the cloakroom so that children can get used to who they are. Ask them about them at home and see what they have learnt about each other so far.

This week we are getting better at:



- Waiting for our time to speak
- Using the sounds we know to help us in our writing
- Measuring in different ways

Our Circle time focus this week is...

Waiting for our time to speak



We are learning the importance of waiting for our time to speak and listening to our friends.

Home learning diaries:



Thank you to those of you who have sent in some 'Proud Cloud' moments already and those of you who have signed your child's learning diary. Lots of children are really enjoying their reading could you please ensure that you write in your child's diary when you have read with your child. We do say to aim for 5 minutes daily to really allow your child to gain confidence. As their phonics develop in class your child will start to really make attempts at reading words using the strategies we are learning in class. Thank you.

Home learning:

So far in phonics we have learnt the sounds: **s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d**. As we explore more of our sounds you will notice from your child's writing now that we are really trying hard with our writing and segmenting (splitting words up to spell eg. 'r-a-m'). At this stage please don't expect your child to get their spelling completely correct. In fact, we are trying really hard to encourage them to say the word they want to spell really slowly and then write down the sounds that they hear. Don't worry that they may not hear all of them so 'dog' may be spelt as 'dg'. That's really promising as it is showing that they can hear the dominant sounds in the word. Then slowly they may hear other sounds in the word. Additionally, praise any letter shapes that are used in their play.

Reception Dates for your diaries...



Tuesday 25th September - Individual school photos (am)

Friday 28th September - Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Friday 26th October - Harvest festival (pm)

These are just handy dates for our Reception class. Please check the main dates for the whole school on the website for your information.

We are comparing size this week in Maths. Think about different ways of measuring: use non-standard units - strides, hand span, pencils, etc and standard units - cm and metres. Estimate first and use comparisons to help good estimates eg. If it's 10 paces across the kitchen how many do you think it will be across the garden? Explore with a ruler and tape measure, model how to measure reading the numbers together. Use the vocabulary of length - longer, shorter, taller, wider, as short as, etc.

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