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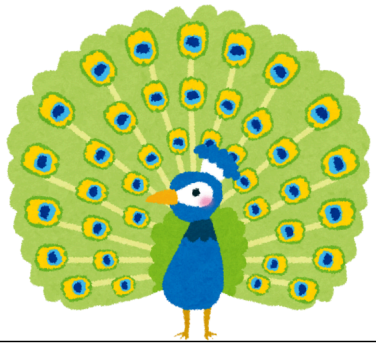
weekly newsletter



TERM 2, WEEK 3

This week we will be learning all about Diwali, the Festival of Light! We will be finding out why Diwali is celebrated and exploring the story of Rama and Sita, using props, role-play and plenty of imagination to bring the story to life. We will be talking about light and dark, discovering how light helps us and exploring the different ways people celebrate Diwali. There will be lots of opportunities to get creative too, as we make our own beautiful diva lamps and bright, colourful decorations.

In Maths, we will be focusing on the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, exploring how we can recognise, represent and make these numbers in different ways. We will be practising our subitising skills, looking carefully at small groups of objects and seeing how quickly we can recognise how many there are without counting. We will also be exploring number composition and discovering all the different ways we can make each number. It's going to be a bright and colourful week filled with storytelling, creativity, exploring and lots of lovely learning!

CERTIFICATES:

5R's: Jackson

Skills builder: Kian

REMINDERS

- Please can welly boots and waterproofs be in school everyday, so we can access outside in all weathers. Hats and gloves season is approaching.
- Forest School this wednesday. Please wrap up warm.
- Odd sock day on Friday. Please bring a bottle for the PTFA.

AT A GLANCE

- Learning about the Hindu celebration of light - Diwali.
- Learn and discuss how Hindus celebrate Diwali and why.
- Read and discuss the story of 'Rama and Sita'.
- Design and create our own rangloi patterns.
- Create our own Mendhi designs.
- Learn about the numbers 1,2,3,4 and 5. How they are composesed and different ways of representing them.
- Learning our Makton sign of the week.
- Continue to learn to write our name.
- Use our learnt sounds to write consonant-vowel-consonant (cvc) words.
- Continue practising the songs for our Nativity.
- Explore the wonderful outdoors in Forest school.
- Order/sequence the story of Rama and Sita.

EXTRA

It would be inredibly helpful to read every day with your child and discuss the sounds we have learnt in Phonics. Our focus is blending and reading with increasing fluency.

Thank you for your continued support, From Miss Deane.

Monster Phonics
Reception Phonics Home Learning

Phase 2 - Term 2 Week 3
Focus Phonemes: j / v / w / x

Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school, ensuring they pronounce using the 'pure sounds'. More information and support can be found on the Monster Phonics website -
https://monsterphonics.com/phonics-support-for-parents/

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -



Pronunciation Phrase - y
Action:
Make a peak with you hands like a yacht Say y, y, y.
Formation Rhyme:
Under and up, what can you see? Follow the anchor, hanging under the sea



Pronunciation Phrase - z
Action:
Zigzag your hand sharply like lightning. Say zzz.
Formation Rhyme:
Zigzag zig down, can you hear the clap? Let's make the sound of the lightning.... zzzap.



Pronunciation Phrase - zz
Action:
Zigzag two hands sharply like lightning. Say zzz.



Pronunciation Phrase - qu
Action:
Place a crown on your head like a queen. say qu, qu, qu.
Formation Rhyme:
q; Around her face, up to her bun, down her hair, add a flick for fun.

We will be blending words. Can you say each sound then stretch them to blend to make the word?

b - u - zz

cobweb

y - a - p

qu - i - z

zigzag

y - e - s

qu - a - ck

y - e - ll

High Frequency Words:



was

all

will

went

help

from

Please remember that Tricky Witch likes to chnage the sound of the grapheme. Please encourage your child to think of a sentence with the words in.