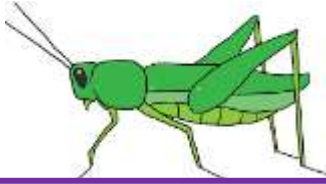


Reception Newsletter



Friday 11th November 2022

Our golden promises

We promise to be...

Respectful (look after everyone and everything), **Friendly** (share, play together and be happy) **Thoughtful and caring** (be kind, listen to others and use good manners) **Enthusiastic** (to be an excited learner)

This week

We have been learning lots about friendship this week via the story 'Pumpkin soup'. We have thought about what makes a good friend, explored **sharing** and **turn taking** and the language that we need to use to express ourselves in these situations. We have also talked about how to resolve problems that we may have with different friends. We practised saying '**Please stop, I don't like it**' before seeking help from an adult if needed. In maths we have been **matching** and **sorting** and we have started to really think about number 1,2 and 3 and how we **see them**. In phonics, we have been looking at the phoneme **digraphs ss, ff, ll**. A **digraph** is when 2 **graphemes** (letters) sit together but they make **one sound**. These digraphs are usually found at the **end** of a word (**dress, stuff, fill**). Over the last few weeks, we have also been learning some **common exception words**. These are words that we cannot use our phonics for and there are parts of this word where the sounds do not sound in the way we have learnt. e.g **the**. The **e** is the tricky part of the word. It is not making the /e/ (as in **egg**) sound. We need to be able to recognise the whole common exception word. Words we have learnt so far as **I, the, is, no, go**

Next week:

The children will be bringing home their first reading book which they will use to practice their growing phonics skills. There will lots of additional information coming out about the school's home reading routine over the next few weeks and how to support your child's reading development.

Ideas for home –We have learnt some rhymes to help form numbers 1,2 and 3. Practise at home in the sand, in the soil, with a pen or pencil.



Things coming up...

Thursday 17th – parents meetings on teams (please see school email)

Friday 18th – Children in need – Topsy Turvy!

Other bits:

PE – This week, the children changed into their PE kit for PE. Please ensure that your child's PE kit (white t-shirt and shorts) are now in school. PE is on a **Wednesday**. Hair must be up and no earrings (if possible) on this day.

Please allow children to dress and undress themselves at home as much as possible as this support their independence.

Phonics folders - needs to be **returned every Wednesday**. New sounds will be added and they will be sent home on **Fridays**.

*** words in red are new **vocabulary** that we have taught the children. Use this vocabulary at home to support your child's language*

Have a great weekend. The Reception team