

# Foundation Stage News

Date: Friday 21st June 2019

#### **Phonics**

This week we have been practising our tricky words. We have been reading sentences with the tricky words in and have been focussing on the question words when, what and do. Can your children make up their own questions using these tricky words. Perhaps they could write down their favourite one to ask the class. These can be as silly as they like, we have read some silly sentences this week.

### **Maths**

In maths we have been exploring odd and even numbers. The children have been sorting the numicon and tens frames into odd and even. They have been explaining their thinking by using the stem sentences '7 is odd because it doesn't have a pair, 6 is even because it is in pairs'. Can you give your children different objects to count. Can they arrange them like a numicon piece and explain if it is an odd or even number.

## **Literacy**

In literacy we hve been reading 'Pirates Love Underpants'. We have been writing our own sentences for some of the pages from the book. We have also been spotting some of the rhyming words in the book. Can your child continue a rhyming word if you give them a word. For example, if you said pig, could your child carry on it with wig, dig, big etc. Your child could write down their favourite rhyming string to share with the class and challenge themselves to write a rhyming sentence.

Questions for the week ahead:

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: What did you do in thinking and doing today? Were you inside or outside? Who did you learn with?

Thursday: What was your favourite part about Pennywell farm? What animals did you see?

Friday: What did you make today?

We need your help - The children have loved using the junk modelling in 'Thinking and Doing'. We are beginning to run low, so if you have any recycling (yoghurt pots, cardboard boxes, egg cartons) we would be really grateful if you could give it to your child to bring in or pass it on to one of the foundation team. We are also collecting corks so the children can make rafts.

We recommend that you read daily with your child and have added a number of extra optional home learning ideas that you might like to do during the week	✓
Practise segmenting and blending sounds to read words	
Practise counting forwards and backwards from 0 – 20.	
Practise again to 10 using the language 1 more thanis 1 less thanis	
Read a book to your child or let them read/tell you a story	
Practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s	
Practise reading tricky words from the bookmark by sight and reading the sentence	
Recognise teen numbers and put them in order	
Explore the outdoors and look for signs of summer (you could write what you see as a 'WOW' moment)	

Pennywell Farm – Thursday 27th June. Thank you for all of you who have offered to help on the trip. We now have enough volunteers.

#### **Any Comments or Questions:**