

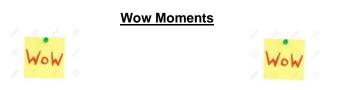
Date: Friday, 20th September 2019

Welcome to the Foundation Stage News! We hope that your child has had a fantastic week. We certainly have enjoyed learning all about them. The children been amazing settling into school and learning about their new environment ⁽ⁱ⁾

Each week, we will inform you of up and coming events and what your child has been learning during the school week. We also offer suggestions of how you can support your child's learning at home.



The children have visited the school library and have brought a book home to share with you. You may like to read this book to your child or your child may like to make up stories from the pictures. Every Thursday, your child will need to bring their school library book and Home Learning book back to enable us to provide you with a new book and news.



We love hearing the children's news from home about what they can do. This week we have provided you with some 'WOW' post it notes. Over the coming weeks, if your child does something new and they would like to share their news with the class please write it down on the post it and bring it in. It might be ... your child has learnt to do their zip up on their coat, your child has eaten peas for the first time, your child has helped tidy away the table etc..

Independence

As soon as your child starts school, we encourage independence. We would be grateful if you could support this by:

- Laying out their school clothes and encouraging them to try to get dressed.
- Allow your child to carry their own book bag to school.
- Ask your child to put their own water bottle and fruit snack into the labelled boxes.
- Encourage your child to put on their own coat and be able to do it up using either zips or buttons.

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Just a few reminders

Have you provided your child with;

Wellington boots (labelled with your child's name)

Book bag (Please attach a key ring to the handle or display your childs name on the front so that they child can recognise it)

Water bottle and fruit snack labelled with your childs name- due to allergies this needs to be a piece of fruit or veg (no cheese, sandwiches, chocolate or cereal bars)

Spare pants and clothing in bookbags (in case of untimely accidents)

A waterproof coat because we go out in all weathers.

Dora the Communicating Dolphin

Dora the Communicating Dolphin is a cuddly dolphin toy that will be sent home each week with one of the children. Over the weekend, we would like your child to share their experiences with Dora, so during the week they are able to share with the class the adventures Dora went on. Dora may

- stay in and play with lego/the doll house/read a book
- have gone to see a family member
- have gone shopping or on a car journey etc.

Dora will be accompanied with a book, where you might like to sit down with your child and write about what Dora did with you or your child might like to draw a picture, this will support your child when sharing with the class what they did together. We hope you have fun with Dora and we cannot wait to hear what she gets up to.