end of Autumn



Happy Friday!

We have now reached the end of Autumn 1,

The children have settled tremendously well into Year 1 and have ad justed brilliantly to the new routine. We are so proud of how resilient the children have been and they continue to make us smile each day. Over the last 7 weeks, we have introduced the children to lots of new learning. We have listed some of the things we have covered on this sheet, so if you would like to cover any of this at home to secure and revisit over the coming weeks then that would be wonderful.

Thank you so much for your continued support, The year 1 Team \boldsymbol{x}



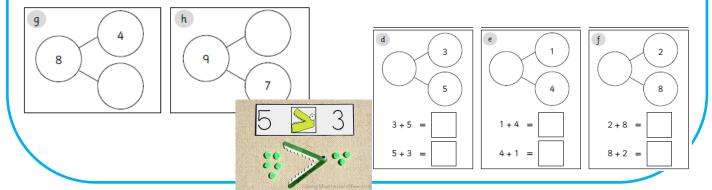
Maths at Home

At this point in the year, all children should be able to count confidently forwards and backwards to 10 and beyond, recognise and write the numerals. Please keep practising these and ensuring to embed counting into as many parts of your home life as possible e.g. counting pillows on the sofa or how many toys on the floor.

We have introduced the greater than and less than symbols in our maths lessons. Remember: the hungry alligator always eats the biggest number because he is so greedy!

Use this interactive game to support the use of these symbols (https://www.softschools.com/math/greater_than_less_than/ alligator_greater_than_game/) or write out some questions for your child at home. When comparing numbers ask questions like; which one is bigger? And how do you know which one is greater?

Finally, in maths we have started using the part-whole model. The children are confident in combining amounts to find a whole up to 10 and are beginning to understand missing number problems using the part-whole model. Have a look at how these questions are presented in the image below and draw out some on some paper for your children to solve.



English and Reading at Home

At this point in the year, all of the children have been exposed to all of the Set 1 sounds and some have also been exposed to the Set 2/3 sounds. It will be beneficial for the children to keep this learning fresh in their mind over the holidays through watching the following video and asking your child/children to spot sounds when you are out.

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hjnaiyWZ/4oZPjlAW

Please also check the Brady website, as a new phonics tab has been created. Here I have created a video which has all the information from our phonics meeting for you to watch and some incredibly helpful documents for you to look over. We have a special time each day for reading at school, it is something that the children love! We share a picture book each day and we have also chosen a chapter book to complete as a whole class, the children are very eager to find out what is going to happen in our story. Please embed the love of reading as much as possible at home by going to your local library and sharing the books that your children bring home.

Playing Fred Games, is a great way to encourage blending a segmenting words. Below is a wonderful video showing how you can Fred Talk colours, this game be done with any words throughout the day.

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Handwriting has been a focus for us these last 7 weeks. The children now have lined books and are more restricted with their writing space. It would be helpful, to practise some writing at home on lined paper to secure letter formation, consistent size and ensure that writing sits on the line. The lines in the books are slightly larger than a typical notepad but any practise would be wonderful.

Finally, writing full sentences has been where our focus is. We have been focusing on using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

Finger spaces is still a big focus as many children forget these. We have been using adjectives to make our writing more descriptive and have introduced how we use question marks within our work. Please have a go at writing some simple sentences over the holiday, encourage the children to use all the things listed above and to sound out any words they get stuck with.

Fred Talk



We would love to see any of your work completed over the week off. If you would like to, please bring in any of your completed work in the first week back.

Miss Burgess and Miss O'Sullivan

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TO AUTUMN 2

After half term, our new topic will be Bright Lights, Big City. In order to engage the children in our new topic, we will be having an afternoon tea party on FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2022.

This is because the topic focuses on London. (More information will be given regarding our new topic in the Homework Map and Newsletter given during the first week back.) Therefore, we would like to invite the children to bring in one afternoon tea snack to share with the class. Please ensure that the snack is vegetarian and does not contain nuts.

Possible ideas may include:

Biscuits

Cakes

Crisps

Fruit

Savoury snacks e.g. breadsticks, cheese and onion rolls etc.

Please can you ensure your contributions are given to the class teacher on Thursday 3rd or Friday 4th November.

Thank you! :)