

Robin Hood Primary School Reception Newsletter – Friday 3rd May 2024

This Week:

The children have had another great week in Reception. They have enjoyed going on the minibeasts hunt in the Nursery forest. They have impressed us with their knowledge about the minibeasts and the habitats they live in.

Home Learning:

Reading — To read your phonics book at least 4 times a week, and your reading for pleasure book with a parent. **Please bring your Reading Folder to school every Thursday. These will be changed and handed back out by Friday**. Please remember to log the books we send home from school, on in your Reading Planner. It is optional to record any other books you share with your child.

Please complete the Home Learning worksheet and return by **Thursday 9th May**.

Next Week:

English: In English next week, we will continue our theme of miniature worlds by reading *The Bug Collector* by Alex Griffiths. The children will learn the story through Talk for Writing and will retell it using actions and a story map. We will be encouraging the children to use their Phonics skills independently to write simple sentences from the story. The children will continue to write their name daily and we will be looking for correctly formed letters in both their first and last name.

Phonics: We will learn the new letter/sounds /ar//or/ and will practise listening and identifying these sounds in a Floppy Phonics story. The children will be encouraged to match these initial sounds to objects and listen for the sounds in different words. We will progress onto writing these sounds and drawing images to represent the sounds in words.

Maths: In Maths, the children will start exploring the concept of grouping, and, odd and even sharing. First, they will group for a purpose and divide a set of objects by placing a certain number of them in each group. They will investigate how many groups they need in order to give out all their objects. Next, the children will use these skills to identify whether a number is odd or even by sharing into two groups. Using language such as 'odd', 'even',

'equal' and 'unequal' the children will be prompted to make the links to the number of objects they are sharing.

Wider Curriculum: In Understanding the World, children will be introduced to the topic of a food chain. They will learn that the animals are called consumers because they eat the plants and other animals. They do not make their own food. Animals that eat other animals are called predators. The animals they eat are called prey.

Reminders:

- Reception PE days are on a **Wednesday** (outdoor) and **Thursday** (indoor). On these days, your child can come to school dressed in their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms or shorts, black or green jumper and trainers).
- Every day your child has the option of having a piece of snack (fruit or vegetable) provided by school, which they can enjoy in the Snack Café. Please feel free to send in an alternative piece of fruit or vegetable, if you wish.
- Water Bottles will remain in school and will be washed and refilled ready for your child every day.
- We are a Healthy School, therefore if you are sending your child with a packed lunch, please ensure you are providing a balanced, healthy lunch for your child. You can find some suggestions on the following website https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#lunchbox-recipes, which provides some sweet/chocolate substitutions, as sweets and chocolates should not be in your child's lunchbox.
- Please ensure you have joined your child's Google Classroom to ensure you are receiving key information and updates.

Have a lovely half term,

Miss Mills, Miss Parker & the Reception Team.