



Robin Hood Primary School

Nursery Newsletter – Friday 22nd October 2021

This Week:

We have had another brilliantly autumnal week in Nursery. The children have really engaged in their learning this week, using their senses to explore natural materials. With changing leaves falling on the ground, crunchy walkways, conkers waiting to burst open ready to be discovered and a whole palette of colours spreading across the landscape... it is a real feast for the sense. The children went on an autumn walk in the Nursery woodland area to explore the changes the season brings, collecting a basket full of autumnal treasures that they found interesting. We have had lots of fun outside painting and exploring pumpkins – what a great week we have had!

Home Learning:

Writing – To continue practising recognising and then writing your first name.

Reading – To share a story, building on your talking and listening skills. Find a picture book with no words and make up a story to go with the pictures. Before you start the story, talk about the title and illustrations on the cover (front and back). Ask your child what they think the story might be about and after reading, asking your child what they liked about the story. Please ensure these are logged on your Go Read app – the children will receive their gems for this.

Water and Sand – Please can you send in photographs of your child enjoying sand or water play. Ideas of this could be:

- Summer visits to the seaside
- Playing in sand at home
- Splashing in puddles/playing in the rain
- Helping to wash up
- Drinking water

We are going to be discussing these together and adding them to our water and sand areas. Thank you in advance!

After the holiday:

Literacy: We will be looking at the word 'Celebrations' and learning about the celebration of Bonfire Night. The children will be sharing their own experiences of Bonfire Night and talking about the ways, which their family celebrate. We will also be having our very own

role-play Bonfire Party at Nursery! Across the week, the children will take part in lots of exciting firework themed activities such as some splatter painting to make firework pictures, dipping their brushes in some watery paint and flicking it over the black paper and even adding sprinkles of glitter – our pictures will look just like fireworks shooting up into the night sky! The children will even listen to firework sound effects and music while drawing, making marks to represent the loud noises and sounds!

What a lot of exciting activities to look forward to!

Phonics: After the holiday, we will be focusing on Phase 1 Aspect 3 Body Percussion. The aim of this aspect is to develop children's awareness of sounds and rhythms.

You could help your child at home by:

- Singing lots of songs and/or action rhymes that include actions such as clapping. Why not try, 'Wind the Bobbin Up', 'If You're Happy and You Know It', 'This Old Man' or '5 Little Speckled Frogs'.

Maths: Across the week, the children will continue to focus on knowing that the number name assigned to the final object in a group is the total number of objects in that group (The Cardinal Principle). We will be providing opportunities for counting using a variety of objects, following with the question, "How many?" We will be counting in full sentences with emphasis on the final number said, which tells you the total, for example "One, two, three, four. There are four rockets".

Reminders:

- Friday October 22nd is the end of this half term, we return to school on Monday November 1st.
- Indoor PE – Our PE day is on a **Wednesday**. On Wednesday's 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).
- Please ensure you are dropping off/picking up your child in the allocated time slot, based on your child's surname:

Arrive	Leave
A – M 8:40 – 8:50	A – M 3:00 – 3:10
N – Z 8:50 – 9:00	N – Z 3:10 – 3:20

- 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.
- If you would like to bring in treats for your child's birthday, please ensure these are individually wrapped, e.g. Haribos.
- Please ensure you have joined your child's Google Classroom to ensure you are receiving key information and updates.

- 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 your child is sent with a change of clothes in case of any accidents. These can be kept in your child's bag. Please ensure your child's name is clearly labelled on all items on clothing.
- If you wish to contact your child's class teacher, please use the below email address: missmills@robinhoodapps.co.uk (Miss Mills)

Have a half term holiday,
Miss Mills and the Nursery Team.