



Robin Hood Primary School

Nursery Newsletter – Friday 12th November 2021

This Week:

We have had another fantastic week in Nursery. We have been blown away with their learning this week and the children have really enjoyed exploring light and dark. After reading the story 'Can't you Sleep, Little Bear?' the children even made their own bear caves! The children have been busy drawing and writing huge signs for our classroom cave and loved making their very own tea light candle, ready for the dark evenings!

Thank you again to all of the parents/carers who attended the Parent Consultations this week. It was lovely to celebrate all of the children's individual progress and successes so far.

Home Learning:

Writing – To continue practising recognising and then writing your first name – how many different ways can you write it? E.g. pencil, paint, chalk, glitter pens.

Literacy – This time of year is perfect for getting outdoors for a walk - why not turn your next outing into a leaf scavenger hunt? Children to go on a leaf hunt and look for a variety of leaf sizes, colours and shapes. Explore the leaf patterns and symmetry, sorting, identifying and counting the leaves. Remember to bring your findings to Nursery next week!

Reading – To read your phonics book and reading for pleasure book with a parent, building on your talking and listening skills. 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.

Please bring your Reading Folder to school every week. These will be changed and handed back out. Please remember to log the books we send home from school, on the Go Read app. It is optional to record any other books you share with your child.

Next Week:

Literacy: In Literacy, the children will be exploring the story We're Going on a Leaf Hunt by Steve Metzger. You can find the story here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1AQUdXcWIqM&ab_channel=ToadstoolsandFairyDust

There are lots of beautiful autumn leaves to find! Three friends have a big adventure hiking over a mount and through the forest to collect leaves of all kinds of colours. The children

will be encouraged to listen carefully for the many rhyming words and listening to the number of syllables heard in each word. The children will take part in many activities across the week. For example, leaf rubbing, painting, collaging and threading, exploring the details and features of the leaves, noticing the differences and similarities. What will they do with all of their leaves at the end? Jump and play in them! What a lot of exciting activities to look forward to!

Phonics: Next week we will be focusing on Phase 1 Aspect 4 Rhythm and Rhyme. The aim of this aspect is to develop children's appreciation and experiences of rhythm and rhyme in speech.

You could help your child at home by:

- Reading rhyming stories (The Gruffalo, Each Peach Pear Plum, Giraffe's Can't Dance and Aliens Love Underpants).
- Playing rhyming bingo, you say a word e.g. mat and your child can think of a rhyming word e.g. cat.

Maths: Across the week, the children will focusing on linking numerals to amounts, shouting the right number of objects to match the numerals, up to 5. Here are some interactive games for matching numerals and quantities:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/gingerbread-man-game>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers>

Reminders:

- 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 of 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 lovely weekend,
Miss Mills and the Nursery Team.