

Week Beginning: 2nd October 2023

Our Topic is.....

We're going on an adventure!

Next week, we will be learning about.....

Topic:

We will be reading the book 'On the way home' by Jill Murphy. We will talk about why it is important to tell the truth and identify the qualities of a good friend. We will also focus on using our manners, and saying 'please' and 'thank you' when interacting with others.

Phonics:

We will be continuing our phonics teaching with the new phonemes, *ck* (sock), *e* (elephant), *u* (umbrella), *r* (rainbow). The children will be provided with a copy of the phase 2 sounds that we have learnt at school.

Watch this clip about 'how we teach blending' <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Using the sounds they can recognise, practise blending CVC words (cat, tip, sit) at home.

Maths:

The children will explore how numbers can be composed of 1s and, from this, begin to investigate the composition of 3 and 4. Composing and de-composing numbers involves children investigating part-whole relations, e.g. seeing that 3 can be composed of 1 and 2. The children will learn from practical experience that a 'whole' is made up of smaller parts and is, therefore, bigger than its parts.

How you could help your child at home:

- Read with your child daily – Your child should have taken home a wordless picture book. Take it in turns to use the pictures to tell a story. Please return this on Friday so they can be given a new book. Don't forget to write in their reading journal.
- Daily practise of the phonemes we have learnt so far.
- Explore ABC, AAB and ABB patterns. This refers to the number of items in your unit of repeat. An ABC pattern could be a blue cube, red cube, green cube. AAB would be a blue cube, blue cube, red cube. Use shapes, pegs or coloured blocks to make a repeating pattern of 3 objects. The children could begin by copying the pattern, then move on to extending the pattern before finally creating their own. Can they explain where the 3s are? How do they know?
- Talk to your child about themselves e.g. what do you like to do, describe what they look like, what have they learnt to do.

Reminders:

- Reclaimed materials: Please send in any empty boxes, trays, cardboard rolls you have at home for our junk model projects. Please do not send in any boxes or containers that have previously contained nuts.

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