

WC 15th January 2024

Our Topic is.....
The Great Outdoors!

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

Topic: Next week we will begin to innovate the story Owl Babies. We will change the main characters and the setting and practise retell the story using the adapted story map.

Phonics: This week we will learn the next 4 phase 3 sounds - oo (moon), oo (book) ar (march), or (horn). The children will practise recognising these sounds on their own and in a word before blending the sounds together.

Maths: A key focus this week will be the stable order principle – rehearsing the order of the first 5 numbers and understanding that the position each number holds in our number sequence does not change. While continuing to work with numbers to 5, the children will develop their understanding of the ordinal aspect by investigating the difference in value of consecutive whole numbers. They will spend time discovering that each number has a value of 1 more than the previous number. Using blocks and squares to order quantities from 1 to 5 will help to embed this key understanding.

How you could help your child at home:

- Enjoy listening to your child reading their phonics book with you at home and read for pleasure with them as much as possible.
- Continue to read and practise phonics sounds with your child.
- Provide opportunities for building towers out of various blocks. Focus on creating a staircase adding one block each time.
- Explore the phase 3 phonics resources that have been added to the school website
Link: Fulbourn website - our curriculum - early years – phonics in the early years

Reminders:

- **Balance Bike Training:** Please remember to bring back your permission form by Friday 19th January.
- **Forest School:** Greenland enjoyed their first forest school session this week. The children were well prepared for the session and had a fantastic time.
- **Reading Books:** The children will bring home a reading book this week. Please continue to read with your child every day.
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