



*'Spurring each other on with love'*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we will be looking at London and comparing it to our local community.

Literacy:

- Naming and describing London landmarks.
- Drawing and labelling maps of London.
- Reading 'Katie Goes to London'.
- Learning facts about The Elizabeth Tower and Big Ben, then writing a simple sentence about it.

Phonics:

- Miss Houghton's group will be recapping ow (snow), oo (zoo) and oo (book).
- Mrs Vanstone's group will be learning igh (light) and ow (flow). They are also focusing on reading longer words with 4 and 5 letters.
- Mrs Bond's group will be recapping ch and nk. They are also focusing on reading 'alien / nonsense' words, as well as real words, with the special friends that they have learnt.
- Mrs O'Toole's group will be learning ch and nk. This week, Miss Marsh our PGCE student, will be teaching the group. The children will be reading and writing words with ch and nk in, working on reading more speedily and writing a simple sentence.
- Mrs Greenslade's group will be focusing on reading CVC words, blending the sounds to read.
- Reading books will continue to be changed on a Friday. Please ensure they are in your child's bag so we can change them. Quite a few of the children have 2 books or a book and a ditty sheet.

Maths:

- Looking at the numbers 9 and 10.



- Representing 9 and 10.
- Ordering numbers to 10.
- Sorting numbers into those that are fewer than and more than 6 and explaining how we know.

#### Other Areas:

- Using small and large construction to make London landmarks.
- Role playing being on a bus trip around London.
- Discussing the similarities and differences between Plymouth and London.

#### Learning at home:

- If your child loves being creative, maybe they could make a model of a London landmark. This could be done using bricks, Lego, sand, junk modelling etc.
- If you have been to London and have any photos that you are happy to share at school, we would love to see them. These can be sent via email, on Tapestry or as a hard copy. These will be returned once we have shared them.
- The children are loving sharing how their beans are growing. Please keep adding to Tapestry, as we check daily.

#### Reminders:

- Thursday is World Book Day. The children can come to school dressed as a favourite book character. We are looking forward to seeing their costumes. If they want to bring in a favourite story they can also do this. It doesn't have to be the story for their costume or character. Please make sure they are named. The children will be sharing them with their friends.
- Drink bottles should only have water in them. There have been a few spillages recently, with sticky blackcurrant juice split all over the floor and fizzy drinks squirting out.
- The children should be wearing school shoes, not boots or trainers to school, as in the uniform policy. They can always change their footwear at school, if needed.
- This week, it is balanceability, Monday - Friday. The children should wear joggers or leggings, trainers and their usual school t-shirt and jumper. Helmets and balance bikes are provided. On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> it is World Book Day. Costumes can still be worn; we will change into PE kits if required.

Any questions, please come and see us or write in the home school communication book.

Foundation Stage Team

