



*'Spurring each other on with love'*

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Dear Parents,

In English this week we will be:

- Reading the story 'Dear Zoo'. It is a story about a person who writes to a zoo to ask for a pet but the pets they send aren't quite right.
- Writing a story map for Dear Zoo and acting out the story. A story map is a sequence of pictures which helps the children to remember and retell a story.
- Writing adjectives to describe different animals e.g. stripy, big.
- Taking part in daily phonics sessions.
- Taking part in regular handwriting practice. We have begun to teach the cursive letters explaining that they must 'push up from the line' then use the rhymes they learnt in Foundation e.g. (i) down the insect and dot for the head

In Maths this week we will be:

- Filling in missing numbers on a number track.
- Matching number to quantity.

In our topic work we will be thinking about:

- Adding labels to a map of the school (Geography)
- Looking at the 5 senses and focusing on hearing (Science)
- Exploring mark making with a pen (Art)
- The Creation Story. (RE)
- Finding the pulse (steady beat) in pieces of music. (Music)



- Gymnastics and Games in PE.
- How we are similar and different to others in our class. We will talk about our favourite toys, food, hobbies and colours to discover who we share a common interest with. (PSHE)

### Reading and Library books

- Reading books are changed on Mondays
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Please ensure they are in your child's bag.

### Supporting your child at home

This week, we would like you to focus on comparing and ordering numbers with your child. We focused on this in class last week and we would like you to complete a practice and consolidation task.

Please visit the website Topmarks and the game Caterpillar Ordering. Please start with numbers 1 -10 and if your child is confident, you can extend this.

If your child is finding this task tricky, encourage them to count up from 1...2...3 and look for each number, pressing them in order. Alternatively, you could circle each number on a number line first and then you can see the order.

 **Caterpillar Ordering**
▶ Play

Caterpillar Ordering is an interactive ordering and sequencing numbers game, which would complement a minibests topic in the classroom.

This maths game has different levels which can be matched to mathematical ability level.

The drag and drop activities help children to order numbers, beginning at a basic level and progressing to more challenging exercises ordering decimal and negative numbers. The sequencing activities help children to recognise number sequences and reinforce their knowledge of multiples.

**AGE** | 5-11 Years


**SUBJECTS** | Maths Ordering Sequencing

Odd and Even

**QR CODE**

Scan this on mobiles and tablets to quickly open this web page.





### End of day collection.

Thank you all for using the homeschool diary to let us know of any changes to the person collecting or after school club attendance.

Thank you for your support.

The Year One Team.

