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Dear Parents and Carers,

Literacy

This week, we are focusing on our senses. The children will be learning about each of the senses through a variety of information books, videos and activities. The children loved learning about the body last week, enthusiastically using lots of new vocabulary.

Phonics

The children will be learning the sounds c, k, u, b and f. Please help your child at home by talking about the sound we have learnt each day. Can they think of things or find things that begin with that sound? Have a go at forming each letter. We will also be starting to assess the children's sound knowledge before grouping them ready for after half term.

c - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/BCtS3nOS/201zQQYH>

k - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/tJlTW6a/LzWeAih2>

u - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ZZLrXnxB/WidkZum>

b - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Xo9sgvjs/BFMzBn9x>

f - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/fSJpgChN/E9ouj4jh>

Word time - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UyTKKEF7/xncqj4DE>

Numeracy

This week, we are focusing on pattern. We will be looking at repeating patterns, making them using Autumnal items and shapes. The children will also be looking for mistakes in patterns.

At home the children could spot and make repeating patterns using a variety of items. If you go on a walk



collect various things and encourage your child to make or continue a pattern with them eg: twig, leaf, twig, leaf or red leaf, red leaf, green leaf, red leaf, red leaf, green leaf. If possible take a photo and upload it to Tapestry so we can share it with the rest of the class and use the patterns as a discussion point.

Other areas:

- Exploring our sense of touch using feely boxes.
- Exploring our sense of smell by smelling different items.
- Trying to work out the flavour of various crisps. If your child has any allergies to crisps, please let us know before Wednesday.
- Completing the government baseline assessment with all of the children. We have added an information booklet to the foundation page on the school website.

Reminders:

- Please make sure all uniform, coats and book bags are named, including shoes.
- Library books are changed on a Monday so need to be in the bags on that day.

Ideas for at home:

- Practise name writing or letter formation
- Watch Alphablocks and Numberblocks
- Create repeating patterns
- Enjoy sharing a book for pleasure. Talk about what has happened, favourite parts and the characters.

For your information:

- The following video talks about how parents and carers can support children brain development. [How Every Child Can Thrive by Five | Molly Wright | TED](#)

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to come and see us!

Best Wishes from the Foundation Stage Team

Red Bears - Mrs O'Toole, Mrs Bond, Mrs Slade and Miss Davies

Blue Bears - Mrs Vanstone, Mr Cooper, Mrs Greenslade and Miss Christian

