7th November 2022

Dear Families,

Children are settled and learning after a busy week of Halloween fun! Lovely photograph of the children sitting, deep in concentration. We made potions on Monday and received a letter from the Witch in the story 'Room on the Broom' asking to record some potions made by the children. This involved, cutting skills, recognising initial sounds in words, writing and counting! PHEW!!





We talked about the story of 'Guy Fawkes' and discussed the safety aspects of Bonfire night. If you went out I hope you had an enjoyable evening.

New Read Write Inc sounds to learn this week: I and e

RWInc sounds already learnt: masdtlpnpgockubh

Please support your children with this at home as much as you can. The more you do at home, the more confident they will be in school.

<u>Please follow both theses links to watch at home for both letter sounds I and f:</u>

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/bSrhPtaQ/DKpUauzy

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/yO7JqXPr/jsjYHfwB

These links will take you directly to the Ruth Miskin web page.

SNACK TIME

Please remember to pack a snack for your child in the morning. The children are really hungry at the moment and although we have got fruit and milk this is not enough for those hungry appetites. I think it must be the hour change!!

<u>Useful sites online to support with teaching number and phonics</u>

• Phonics Family https://phonicsfamilycom.wordpress.com/

Super fun activities for phonics ideas. Really adaptable and fun. Go to the 'fine motor' section for LOADS of ideas on how to get those fingers working at home. There is so much on the site —I use it all the time.

• Numberblocks on Ceebeebies (series one)

We are methodically going through series one. This compliments all learning in the classroom so far. At the end of the year children in Reception are expected to 'Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5' and this series supports this learning. Children are also expected to 'Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts'. Again, the Numberblocks compliments this Early Learning Goal.

• Oxford Owl: https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/

Here you can find lots of free resources to support your child's learning.

Free eBooks | Videos | Set 1 resources | Set 2 resources | Set 3 resources | Kits and flashcards to use at home

RED READING BOOK BAGS

Thank you to everyone for ordering the book bags – please can you make sure the children bring them into school every day. Thank you!

As always, please get in touch if you need anything.

Thanks

Miss Viv Horne

Opal Class

Read Write Ink Workshop with Me: Tuesday 22nd Nov 2.15-3.00pm

Everyone welcome! Lots of you have asked how you can support your children at home with learning to read and write. This workshop will include:

- How to pronounce the sounds
- What sounds the children learn first including set 2 sounds
- Ideas and activities to do at home with your children
- How to support your child with writing
- Breakdown of glossary of terms e.g. Fred talk, Fred in your head, red words
- Tips for story times