

Hedgehog class's weekly newsletter



What have we been learning this week?

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a brilliant Christmas break! All the children have settled back into school really well and have demonstrated excellent focus towards their learning.

<u>English</u> — This week the children have started a new writing focus, traditional tales. Our focussed book is 'Goldilocks and the three bears'. All children listened to the story and are becoming familiar with the text. Year 1 and 2 children have been focussing on adjectives to describe Goldilocks's appearance and personality. We have used these to create a class word bank.

<u>Maths</u> — Year 1 and 2 children have begun their new topic of lengths and heights. The Year 2 children have been measuring objects using centimetres and metres. Year 1 children have been comparing lengths and heights as well as measuring length using various objects. Reception children been representing various numbers on a 10 frame. They rolled a dice and placed the correct amount of resources onto the 10 frame.

<u>Science</u> — This week we have been continuing our learning of 'identifying materials'. The children have been naming everyday materials as well as looking at an everyday object zoomed in using a microscope. The children have also focussed on natural and human made materials and were able to place a variety of different materials into a simple table.

<u>History</u> — We started our new topic of 'Castles' this week. The children demonstrated their knowledge by drawing and labelling a castle as their 'cold task'.

<u>Art</u> — This week the children began their new topic of printing. The children printed with various objects using primary colours. They were encouraged to overprint and discuss the patterns that were made.

<u>Computing</u> — All children took part in the new computing topic of programming. Some children gave simple programming instructions and others used Bee Bots to move the bee using simple programming instructions.

Reminders

- Please ensure you are listening to your child read their reading book as well as their love of reading book. Remember every time you read with them, to record this in their reading record as well as the reading challenge in the back of their reading diary.
- P.E. kits need to be in school as we will have our first P.E. lesson on Monday afternoon.
- Forest school will be every Friday so please ensure their forest school kit is brought into school every Friday.
- Please encourage your child to write in their writing journal and ensure this is in their reading folder.

Miss Burroughs's idea of the week

<u>English</u> — Year 1 and 2 — Can you re write your own traditional tale? You might want to write this in your writing journal.

Reception – Can you use your phonics to write words about your favourite story book? This might be describing words or the characters name.

 $\underline{\text{Maths}}$ - Year 1 and 2 - Can you measure items in your home? You may use objects to measure with, a ruler or a tape measure.

Reception — Can find objects that are longer than your hand? You could take a photo or draw the pictures on a poster.

Certificates this week were awarded to:

Finley — Pupil of the week. Lily — achievement certificate.

Happy Birthday to Noah who celebrated his birthday on Thursday!