Oasis Academy Ryelands Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

04.01.2022-07.01.2022

Important Information/Reminders

- The children will be taking home a library book every Friday. Please can you ensure your child
 has their reading record and book bag in school so they can take one home.
- Milk is provided free until the age of 5, at which point it can be purchased at a small price.
 However, all children must be signed up to receive milk from the
 https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/. Only children who have been signed up will receive milk in
 school.
- Hair accessories, clips and hair bands must be the school colours, blue, black or white.

Stars of the Week

Robin's Star of the Week is **Eesa** for being **joyful**. Eesa has worked very hard this week, having a positive attitude to his learning, and giving things a try.

Wren's Star of the Week is **Cihan** for being **hopeful**. Cihan is a kind and caring member of Wren class and an excellent role model to his peers. Cihan had a great start of the new term. His confidence has increased tremendously, and he has made good progress in all learning areas. Well done, Cihan!

Communication, Language and Literacy, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and Physical Development, Literacy, Maths, Understanding the World, Expressive Arts and Design Reception had a great start of the term. Our topic this half term is "Past and Present" and this week we have looked at how the world use to be in the past and how it has evolved. We discussed how things like clothes, phones, computers, cars or roads changed over time. On Tuesday, children were surprised to find a mysterious egg in the classroom. Some came up with the idea that it might be a dinosaur egg and we all decided to look after it. Using natural resources, the children built a safe, cosy nest for it. On Wednesday, everyone was astonished to hear that a dinosaur has visited the school, probably looking for the lost egg. Mysteriously, the dinosaur egg disappeared on Thursday night, and we all assumed that it hatched and there is a dinosaur on the loose!

In Write Away, the children wrote sentences linked to our topic. They have been encouraged to write sentences and words like "The egg is big and it has blue spots.", "Last night a dinosaur came into the school." On Friday, they ventured to create wanted posters about the escaped dinosaur. We are very impressed with the care the children are taking to present their work neatly, forming their letters correctly and listening carefully to include the sounds in each word. They are now encouraged to start their sentences with a capital letter, to leave finger spaces in between the words and to end the sentence with a full stop.

In our Maths carpet sessions were focused on learning to count to 15 objects and place numbers in order. The children practiced number formation and adding two single digit numbers.



In Phonics, this week we have put the children into groups based on the sounds that they know. This is to be able to offer them the support they need and ensure progress. Regardless, this week we have all been recapping the sounds they have learnt so far. Starting next week, each group will be doing slightly different activities tailored to their specific needs. Please see the attached document with information on which group your child is in.

We have also attached the Autumn Phonics Assessment check which tells you exactly the sounds that your child is confident with and where they need support.

The HFW learnt this week are: a, at, in, it. Each morning, the children practiced writing these

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words, and sentences with the words.

Weekend Activities

In line with our topic, create a dinosaur egg using materials of your choice.

Recap the sounds you have learnt so far using this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mRoFpvC0yn0

Or visiting YouTube and searching Pure Speech Sounds Monster Phonics.