

Oasis Academy Ryelands Reception Class Weekly

Newsletter

29/1/2024 to 2/2/2024

Dates-

Monday 5th February- Reception height and weight checks with Croydon NHS.

Friday 9th February- Express yourself mufti day- £1 donation to Place2Be charity. In celebration of Children's Mental Health week.

FoR Valentines Disco- Friday 9th February- Early years need adults to attend with the kids, 3.30-4.15pm. Juniors can attend unaccompanied but must be collected at the end. 4.15-5pm

Hot dogs and drinks will be served, so bring your cash along! We need more chaperones for this event so get in touch if you can volunteer. We have a DJ booked! £1 entry fee minimum donation per family.

End of Reception GLD Parent Meeting- Thursday 22nd February- 9am- Join Mrs Carew to find out about the end of Reception Early Years expectations and goals.

Information-

- As more and more of our children become early readers, we will be sending home book banded phonics books for the children to enjoy at home. Please enjoy these stories, focusing on the children's segmenting (breaking words down into sounds) and blending skills (blending the sounds together to read the word).
- Hair accessories, clips and hair bands must be the school colours, blue, black or white.
- Please check your child's hair for headlice and ensure that appropriate treatment is applied, if any are found. This will stop them from spreading to other children. Thank you for your support.

Oasis 9 Habits Star of the Week

Compassionate, Self-Controlled, Joyful, Forgiving, Patient, Humble, Honest, Considerate and Hopeful.

- * This week, the Star of the Week in Robin Class is **Zion** for being **hopeful**. Zion has worked hard in write Away, using his sounds and recording his ideas with simple phonetically plausible sentences. He has found his confidence, and we are really proud of him. Well done, Zion.
- * This week, the Star of the Week in Wren Class is **Thea** for being **considerate**. Thea is a wonderful member of Wren class and a role model to her peers. Thea is kind and has lovely manners and she always goes out of her way to help everyone around her. Well done, Thea!

'Pantosaurus'

This week we talked to the children about Pants are Private, as part of our PSHE learning. We used the NSPCC resources of 'Pantosaurus', which provide age-appropriate resources and a very fun, catchy song to help the children to understand that pants are private. All the children showed excellent awareness for this rule and discussed their understanding from learning at nursery and home. If you would like to explore this resource future, visit the NSPCC website and search 'pants- parent guide'.

Spring 1 Curious Question.

I've learnt about other people, has the world always been like this?

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Our Learning Journey

This week in Reception, we have continued with our topic of Castles and Knights, this week focusing mainly on the Knight. The children loved learning about the journey to becoming a knight, starting at the age of 7 and being a Page, then at 12 years old becoming a Squire and eventually at the age of 21 becoming a Knight. The children learnt about a knight's armour and its importance in keeping them safe in battle. We explored different materials and discussed if they would make good or bad material to use for a knight's armour. On Friday the children loved dressing up for their topic, it was wonderful to see so many homemade costumes, this day celebrated the joy the children have shown towards their learning this half term.

In Write away, the children read the story 'The storybook knight'. A lovely story about Leo the knight, who doesn't want to fight, but instead reads books to other characters and wins them over with his love of reading. The children spend each Write Away session focusing on a different character.

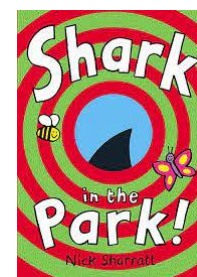
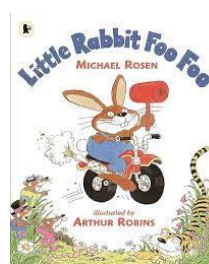
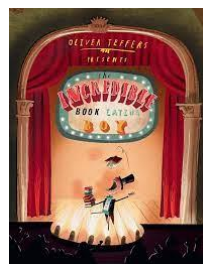
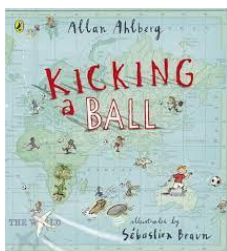
In Maths, the children have been introduced to the number 8. They have used their prior number knowledge to develop their understanding of the number as well as looking at ways to partition and represent this number.

In PE, the children continue to develop their movement skills. Exploring different ways of moving and making shapes using their bodies, focusing on 1, 2 and 3 point balance. This week we introduced partner work, finding way of balancing together.



Phonics

This week we have begun teaching Phase 3 digraphs, **oa**, **oo** (short), **oo** (long) and **ar**. We also introduced the children to the high flying words, **her** and **are**.



oa

oo (short)

oo (long)

ar

Home learning

Next week our topic is space.

Go outside when it is dark or look out of the window and talk about what you can see. Can you count the stars? Can you find the moon? Does the sky change from one night to the next?



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