

In Read Write Inc sessions this week the focus has been on sh, th, ch, qu, ng and nk. We have been naming pictures which relate to letter sounds already taught, e.g. worm, wood, window for "w", and so on. Our aim is to enable the children to "hear and say" the first sounds in a word. Our next steps will then be on writing the sound.

We have planted sunflower seeds as they are fairly quick growers so hopefully the children will soon be able to see the stems and leaves beginning to pop through the soil within the next week or so. We have talked about what they need to grow and once it is a little warmer and the plants are big enough we will plant them outdoors. I wonder whose will grow the tallest?

In maths we have been using the language of more and fewer/ more than and less than. The concept of "fewer" the children find quite difficult as it is not a word they hear, compared to the word "more". If you can use this word at home that would be great, e.g. Who has fewer sausages? Who has more sausages? If you and your child both put some fingers up. Who has more? Who has less? Who has fewer? We have continued with subitizing, which is the ability to instantly recognise "how many" in a small set. E.g. Dice; when you roll a dice and you see dots on top, you instantly recognise it as representing a quantity of two. You don't need to count each dot on the dice. Playing dice games at home will support this.

Many thanks to the parents who reply to the "2Buildaprofile" emails which sends photographs to your email of activities your child has enjoyed in Nursery. If you are not receiving them please let me know. You are also able to send photographs back showing activities that your child enjoys at home. They will be printed out and added to their Learning Journey file which will be sent home at the end of their time in Nursery.

Having a Twitter account will also give you insight into our nursery activities. If you search for **@stannestanleyf1** this will show as St Anne Stanley Nursery.

