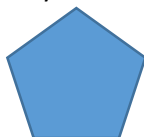


Nursery Newsletter



26/04/2023

Dear Parents

The children are doing so well learning the pictures within the Read Write Inc scheme. Please check on "EvidenceMe" as I have sent images through for you to practise them at home with your child. I will add this week's images at the end of the week. Staff are already seeing some children use the letters we have been focusing on when they are mark making within the provision. again, this is mainly for the children who will be moving to Reception in September and who are ready for this stage in their learning. Please don't worry if your child does not seem interested at the moment, all children develop at different rates.

In Maths the shape, pentagon was introduced. this is a shape with 5 straight edges and 5 corners. We also revised the shapes already taught, square, circle, triangle and oblong. Squares and oblongs are both rectangles, as they both have 4 corners and 4 straight edges or sides. Using lolly sticks and blu-tac the children tried making different shapes, realising a circle could not be made as it has a curved edge. Some children made the initial letter of their name with the sticks, again some children realised if their names have curves, for example, B, C, D, G, J, O, P, Q, R, U and S they could not be made, but those with straight edges could, A, E, F, H, I, K, L, M, N, T, V, W, X, Y and Z. The song "Alice the Camel" was introduced this week so you may have heard your child singing it at home. There are two slightly different versions we have been listening to.

<https://youtu.be/A8hjmsBKM5w>

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This reinforces recognition of number and representing numbers using their fingers alongside counting forwards and also backwards, simple addition (one more) and subtraction (one less, take one away). When children hear simple maths language it will build the foundations for number work which comes later. We have also played "bunny ears", ask your child to show you different numbers using the fingers on both hands and hold above their head like bunny ears!! For example, show me 5 could be 5 and 0 or 4 and 1 or 3 and 2, or 4 and 1 etc. If you have dominoes at home these are a great way to support number work in Nursery.

The role play area is in the process of being changed into a castle in readiness for the King's Coronation on May 6th. As it is such an important day in History we will be talking to the children about Prince Charles becoming King and a little about why it is being celebrated. On the Parent's Facebook Page we have asked for any donations of dressing up clothes which can be added to the area.

Thanks for your ongoing and consistent support.

Enjoy the rest of your week,

Mrs Riley (Nursery Teacher)