

Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years – 8.3.21

This week in Early Years	It has been so wonderful to welcome all the children back to school this week. We are so incredibly proud of how they have quickly adapted back to school life and it's great to see them interacting and having fun with their friends again. The children have been learning about castles, considering how they were built to defend the residents and then had a go at creating their own small world castles.			
Reminder	Our P.E sessions will now be on a Tuesday and a Thursday . Children need to wear their P.E kit to school on these days			
Maths	In maths this week, we have been consolidating some of our learning. We have been focussing on partitioning numbers to 10 using a ten frame and double sided counters. We have identified the skittle still standing and the skittles that have fallen. We have thrown bean bags into a hoop and identified how many beans bags land in the hoop and how many land outside of the hoop. We have also been focussing on numerals 11-20; within this ordering and matching quantities To support out consolidation of 1 more/1 less, the children were passengers on a bus and at each stop 1 child would get on/off.			
English	In English, we have enjoyed acting out the Jack and the Beanstalk story with our peers. We have been practising our handwriting, making sure we form letters correctly and sit them on the lines. We have also spent time reading with the children so that we have a clear picture of their strengths and next steps.			
Phonics	For the rest of his term we will be revisiting and recapping our phase 3 phonemes. This week we have focussed on ai ee igh oa If the children are confident at blending words containing these phonemes we are now encouraging them to blend silently in their head which is the next step to automaticity. We also revisited tricky words: he she me be we you my			

To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

- Draw an imaginary castle. Write a sentence about your castle to explain who would live there and what special features your castle has.
- Write the tricky words on a piece of paper (he she me be we you my) and play splat!
- Mothering Sunday do something to help your mum out at home e.g. tidy your room.
- Mothering Sunday make up a dance or show to entertain your mum.

Tapestry Idea this Week:

When you are out exercising or exploring the garden, you may wish to take a mindful walk (using your senses).

As spring is here/or fast approaching depending on how you look at it, we would love to see spring photos to make us smile!