RECEPTION CLASS FRIDAY NEWS LETTER

Term 1a Week 3 26.09.2014

Dear Parents/Carers.

Thank you to those who have already received your learning experiences and have commented on them. Your comments are automatically added to your child’s learning experience. Please try to reply to us through the parent contact email in 2 Simple.

This week in Letters and Sounds we have been listening to and identifying familiar sounds.

I put a selection of noisy items in envelopes and shook them. The children had

to listen carefully and tell me what they thought might be in there, such as a

bunch of keys, a packet of crisps etc....this is a great game to develop

listening skills. I then extended the game by asking the children to remember two sounds in the correct order, then three, then four and so on.

We have also been learning about rhyming words. The children have been making up their own versions of Humpty Dumpty e.g. Humpty Dumpty sat on a log, Humpty Dumpty ate a frog!! The children are also learning the nursery rhyme Jack and Jill and 1,2 Buckle My Shoe.

We have also read lots of story books about Dinosaurs especially ‘Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs.’ We have found his stories on You Tube.

We read a story called ‘Saturday Night at the Dinosaur Stomp, also on You Tube. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQJv30gO5z.

The children have been learning that we have different types of books. I have explained about information books and what we use them for.

Each time we looked at a book this week, I have asked the children to

tell me if we were reading a story book or an information book.

The children were very good at recognising the names of the dinosaurs and we used an information book to find out how they lived and what they ate.

The children have used labels with dinosaur names on and sorted them into the correct groups. Today the children made their own information books about dinosaurs

We have learnt lots of rhymes about dinosaurs which I have sent home for you to use with your child.

Maths

In Maths we used the book “10 Dinosaurs”. I observed many of the children

using this book and lining up the dinosaurs in sets of 10s.

The children are very good at counting and recognising numbers up to 10 and grouping items into a given number. We have had great fun using the dinosaurs for this purpose.

We have a dinosaur footprint number line and we have been saying numbers

before and after a given number. Using the story book ‘10 Dinosaurs’ the children have been able to tell me what one less was each time. For homework I have given you a more or less activity.

If you take a photo or a video of anything you do at home try to use Story Creator to send it to me at MEVANS6@HFC.klear.org.uk. Anything you do at home will be shared with the rest of the class and added to your child’s learning experiences.

In Come and See the children have been learning that they are part of their own

family, the school family and the church’s family. We have learnt a new song this week called “Jesus You’re My Superhero”, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-vtflKzeNU. They also know our School Prayer.... which starts, Jesus Mary and Joseph bless my family at home.......

In my last letter, I did ask that you label all items of clothing, this also includes shoes and coats. This is to make it easier for the children to find their shoes when changing from their wellies. Some children do not have wellies in school; please can you ensure they are sent in.

We do have lots of change of clothing for the children but please can you send back any spare uniform that is sent home. It would also be helpful if you could keep a change of socks in your child’s book bag, just in case of over enthusiastic puddle splashing!!!

Snack money is now due and is £10.50 for this term; please can you send this in a sealed envelope with your child’s name on it.

Dinner menus need to be returned with your child’s choice of food on by Thursday. Please remember to put your child’s name on their menu.

RaRaRa Books

RaRaRa Books and Reading Diaries will only be changed on a Monday and Friday, they do not need to be in the book bags on the other days but book bags do need to be brought into school every day.

School Trip

As mentioned in my last letter everyone who asked for a ticket to come to the Brindley has been accommodated. Unfortunately we do only have 10 places on the coach which means eleven parents will need to make their own way. A letter is attached saying if you have been selected to come on the bus or if you will need to make your own way.

Outdoor Classroom

Do you know anyone who is a keen gardener, who might be interested in spending an hour every week working alongside our children and supporting them in the up keep of our garden in the outdoor classroom. We have lots of flower beds and growing areas that need to be looked after by a green fingered person. Please let me know if anyone is interested.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend and don’t forget to share your weekend with us, it will all add to your child’s learning journey.

Regards

Mrs Evans, Ms Connolly and Miss Langton

Dates for Diary

Coffee Morning Tues Sep 30th 9.15pm

Theatre Trip Wed 15th Oct 12.30pm