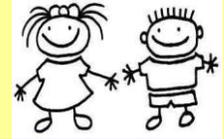
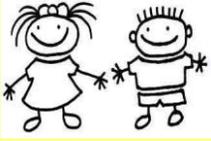


Reception Weekly Learning Update

WB 5th November 2018



Literacy

This week we recapped on the book 'How to catch a star'. We read through the book as a class and then discussed the story afterwards. Our task this week was to share our own ideas of how you would catch a star. The children talked with their talk partners about their own ideas of catching a star. We then shared some of the ideas as a class; the children had some great ideas and really enjoyed listening to each other. The independent task required the children to create their own Tales Toolkit story of catching their own star – all the children have done so well and we are pleased with their progress!

Phonics

This week the children have been recapping the previously taught sounds. We have also introduced the new sounds *e, l, h & r*. All the children have been trying really hard to practise the letter formations and we have seen some lovely writing!

We would like you to practise all the letter sounds that the children have been learning, these are *m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o, c, k, u, b, f, e, l, h and r*. Also to complete the phonics' homework.

Maths

This week we introduced the concept of 'one more than' – and we have got to say how impressed we were the children's understanding and ability to do this so well. Well done Reception! For our group activity the children had to help fix the rockets by placing the number that is one more than the given rocket number. Firstly we ordered the rockets in number order 1-9 and then the children had to shout out what number was one more than 2, 5, 6, etc. Once the children are placed the correct numbers onto the rockets we could shout '3,2,1 BLAST OFF!' The children worked very well together and completed the mission!

Expressive Arts and Design

This week the children have been creating their own stars! The classroom got very glittery, but the children have really enjoyed making their own stars and these have been put on our proud cloud wall.

In our music session this week we are continuing to practise our Christmas nativity songs, it will soon be here!

This week for Golden Time the children made edible poppies – in aid of Remembrance Sunday. These were made using biscuits and red icing.

Understanding the World

This week we have still been focusing on Space as our half term topic. The children have also been learning about Remembrance Day and the importance of our 2 minutes silence to think about those who fought in the war. Gorse Hill have also had 'Inter Faith' week this week, Reception learnt about the different Faiths and beliefs of some of their peers, and the importance of respecting everyone!

We have had our continuous provision around the classroom set up for the children to explore – our main focus this week has been stars and number recognition.