

Next Week in Reception

Week Beginning 2nd November 2020

What we will be doing in school	How you can help at home
<p><u>Topic - We're Going On A Bear Hunt</u> After half term, we will be starting our new topic on bears. Our class bears will be starting school and we will help to welcome them.</p>	<p>You could find out about the history of teddy bears and how they have changed.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Maths</u></p> <p>We will be working on recognising numbers and comparing quantities. We will also revisit patterns.</p> 	<p>Which numbers can you spot when you're out and about? Which number is on your front door? Practise writing numbers in the air, on your knee, on each other's backs and on paper!</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Phonics</u></p> <p><u>The new sound: y</u> <u>Revisiting tricky words: I, to and the</u> <u>New tricky words: 'no' and 'go'</u></p> <p>We will be practising hearing and saying the sounds in words (segmenting) using the sounds we have learnt so far. e.g. 'dug' and begin to say sounds and blend to read words.</p> <p>Sounds taught so far: c, o, a, d, g, f, s, e, l, i, t, u and j</p> 	<p>Share some stories that have rhyming words in them such as <i>The Gruffalo</i> by Julia Donaldson and point out the rhyming words.</p> <p>Play some rhyming games e.g. How many words can you think of that rhyme with cat? Does kit, bit, sit, hit, etc. rhyme with fit? Does sandwich rhyme with fit? How about deckchair?</p>
<p><u>Additional Activities</u></p>  <p>For our teddy bears' picnic, we will make bear themed snacks to eat.</p>	

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In our creative area, we will use oil pastels to do an observational drawing of a bear.

This week the children were visited by Louise and Philip the puppet, from Open View Education. Louise and Philip came to present a workshop about Mental Health and Well-Being.



Louise spoke to the children about how to look after yourself by staying healthy and happy. Philip said how he was worried about school and homework but he didn't tell anyone about his worries. Philip then helped to tell a story about his travels to the Well-being Jungle where he met Calm Crocodile, Chatty Parrot and Soothing Monkey.

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Philip thought that he was the only one that worries until Calm Cocodile told him that everyone worries sometimes. Chatty Parrot taught us that if you feel worried you can say to an adult “I feel worried. Can you help me.” Soothing Monkey then showed the children how they can use 5 big breaths to help them feel calm.



One of the children said the workshop was “about someone who was worried. Some animals helped him by telling him about calm and that it’s ok to worry. Then he felt better”. Some of the other children suggested other phrases you can use, such as “I feel worried”, “I feel scared” or “I’m sad”.

We hope that Philip and his friends have helped the children to know what they can do when they feel worried.