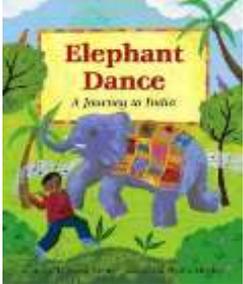


Next Week in Year 2  
 Week Beginning 30rd November 2020  
 'What a Wonderful World!'

We hope you have all seen the words to the Christmas poem we are learning. Please do help your child practise them ahead of our concerts coming up at the end of term. ☺

Subject	How You Can Help at Home
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English- A Journey to India!</u></p> <p>This week the children will be travelling to India. The children will learn about this beautiful country, focusing on a village called Chembokoli. We will be exploring how the people live there and what the differences are between there and how we live in London. By the end of the week the children will be able to write postcard about what it is like to live in Chembokoli</p>  <p>We will continue to use our Indian story of The Elephant Dance.</p>	<p>You can encourage your children to using more describing words in their everyday language, whether you are at home or out and about. For example, you could be making a cake and need to crack raw eggs into the mixture. Ask your child to describe the raw egg- how does it look/feel/smell? When the cake is baked- What does it taste/feel/smell like? (delicious hopefully!) You could be listening to music- what instruments/sounds can they hear? Our children are always thinking about the world and now you can help them to share more of their thoughts by describing what they see around them, in as much detail as possible.</p>
<p>Reading</p> <p>Children are continuing to progress through there colour banded books in school. We would like to thank you all for your help with encouraging a love of reading at home. Even if you can only spare 5 minutes over your Rice Krispies (other cereals are available), it really makes a difference.        Go parents!</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Maths – Money</p> <p>Next week, we will be continuing to use addition and subtraction and will be revisiting money, using both coins and notes.</p> <p>The children will learn different calculation strategies when counting with money, focusing on recognition of our currency alongside finding the missing number or the whole which is a <b>skill they have been learned from this week's maths.</b></p>  <p>Do continue to the practise <b>counting back in 1s or 10s</b> from any given number. You could use a 100 square to help- the children could always have a go at making their own!</p>	<p>You could help your children by showing them the various coins that are available and explaining what each one is worth in pence. If you go out to the shops, allow your children to choose something to buy (healthy of course!) and encourage them to either to have the correct amount or work out how much change they will receive.</p> <p><b>WARNING-</b> Limit the amount they are allowed or things could get messy!        Happy Shopping!</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Computing.</p> <p>This week's computing session will be continuing to look at information technology (IT) and explore where they have seen</p>	<p>Discuss with your children what is meant by internet safety and why there has to be rules in place to protect them from harm.</p>

any IT in different environments in the wider world. The children will be asked to consider how we can use IT safely so that we can still enjoy this popular pastime. In this lesson the children will learn how to list different uses of information technology, recognise how to use information technology responsibly and say how those rules/guides can help them.

Explain that there are rules everywhere so that we stay safe, e.g. rules about crossing the road- knowing the green cross code.



Phonics

We'll be revisiting the Phase 5 graphemes to ensure they are embedded and then beginning the phase 5 alternative sounds, such as for 'ch'.

When you are reading with your children try to have a phase 5 sound mat with you. Ask them to tell you when they find a phase 5 sound and if they can find it on the sound mat. How many can they find in one page or even the whole book! Have fun and enjoy!



Words of the Week

Next week's words are: water, wild, pretty, great, both. We will be using all Year 2 Common Exception Words this week.

Can your child spell these words from memory? Can you play Hangman or scrabble with these words? Can they write them down in rainbow colours? You can be as creative as you like!



Phase 5 Sounds

ay	ou	ie	ea	oy	ir	ue	aw	wh
ph	ew	oe	au	ey	a_e	e_e		
i_e	o_e	u_e						

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THEME DAY!

Year 2 will be holding a Theme day on the 8<sup>th</sup> December and your children are invited to come to school wearing the traditional dress of your family's country of origin. For example, Mr McKinley will be sporting his kilt, displaying his Scottish roots as well as his fabulous knees! Miss Rice and Mrs Ferguson's costumes shall remain a secret for now (no one can out do Mr McKinley's knees).

We would also like to invite any parents or family members to share part of their culture with year 2 (via zoom). Indigo have already had a volunteer to share songs and poems from Sri Lanka! It will be a day of cultural awakenings and we would love more of you to take part. We look forward to hearing from as many as you as possible.

Please email into the office and leave a message for your child's class teacher with any ideas.

And last but not at all least, and if you have not already, please could you try to read the below information. It has been a difficult year for many of us but as the season of joy and hope approaches, we have a chance for us to help those who are most in need. If you are in a position to donate one or more of the items listed below, it would be most gratefully received by Lewisham Food Bank and those whom they serve. Thank you!



**CHRISTMAS TREATS DONATIONS FOR VSL**

**(VOLUNTARY SERVICES LEWISHAM)**

Christmas is coming and we would like everyone to enjoy this special time of year with their families.

We are collecting Christmas treats for special hampers that Voluntary Services Lewisham (VSL) will distribute to vulnerable, isolated and elderly people and families across Lewisham during this festive season.

**We would love donations of the following items:**

**TEA AND COFFEE**

**CHOCOLATES AND SWEETS**

**BISCUITS**

**CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS**

**ALL ITEMS CAN BE ANY SIZE AND ANY BRAND FROM ANY SHOP!**

If you wish to donate any other food or toiletry items, we can will also pass these onto VSL and Lewisham Foodbank.

Please bring your donations into school during November – your kind donations will be displayed in the hall so the children can see the treats that others will enjoy this Christmas.

All donations are needed and welcomed. Zara will take any items handed in after VSL have collected to Lewisham Foodbank.

Everyone deserves a treat at Christmas!

Thank you from everyone at VSL and Stillness Infant School