



Foundation Stage Newsletter

This Week

This week we have been:

- Counting ten and some more (teen numbers 11-20)
- Writing about what we did in the holidays
- blend sounds in four letter words such as 'tent', 'lamp' and 'milk'
- Practising our handwriting
- Talking about our families and the jobs they do around our homes
- Learning about the lifecycle of butterflies
- Reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle
- In P.E we are practising how to roll a ball with control

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Preparing for moving to Year 1

The children only have around 12 weeks left in Reception (it only feels like yesterday that the children started in Reception!) In order to prepare the children and support them as much as possible, this term we will be focusing on writing a simple sentence independently, recognising and writing numbers to 20 ensuring they are formed correctly, counting in 10's, 5's and 2's, reading with more fluency and recognising all taught tricky words. Please continue to support your children at home with these as this really will place them in good stead for their move to year 1. Thank you.

Moment from Home

Please can you hand in your child's moment from home sheets on Monday, if you have not done so already. These are added to your child's learning journals, which make lovely memories for you and your child to look back on.

'Eat them to defeat them'

To promote our theme of healthy eating, your child came home with a booklet / chart entitled 'VEG Hunters' and a sheet with stickers to attach to the chart whenever a vegetable is eaten on Tuesday. As the booklet says, '...even a little lick or a sneaky sniff counts.' 'Eat them to defeat them' is a fun and engaging campaign that encourages children to eat as many vegetables as possible.

What is Fluency?

- ✓ The ability to decode words accurately at a glance and with little effort
- ✓ Reading aloud, or in our heads, at an appropriate pace for the text
- ✓ Adding expression and intonation whilst considering punctuation

Fluency is not...

- ✗ about being a fast reader! Faster reading does not lead to better reading!

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Our Caterpillars

We have been very excited this week to welcome our caterpillars from Insect Lore! We have 5 tiny caterpillars growing in our classrooms!! We cannot wait to watch them grow and change over the coming weeks.



Thank you

Miss Osejindu, Mrs Martin and Mrs Marino



Homework

1. Reading – please write a comment in your child's reading record.
2. Phonics wallets – recapping all phase 2 and 3 phonics sounds and tricky words and read these four letter words: **flag, nest, help, went**
3. Writing sentences such as 'I went to the park' or 'The grass is green'.



