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Friday 21st September 2018

Dear Parent/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we continued our unit on 'Instructions' by writing the instructions for how to make a pizza. You could try making pizzas at the weekend – your child should be an expert! Next week, we will begin to study Narrative texts, focussing on familiar settings and how to identify the different stages in stories (beginning, problem, solution, ending). Please encourage your child to bring in their favourite short story to share with the class.

In our SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) sessions, we have focussed on the alternative /oa/ graphemes (**oa/o-e/o/oe**) and how to extend sentences with conjunctions e.g. Next we made our pizzas **but** we had to wash our hands first. We have also continued to reinforce the children's understanding of nouns, verbs and adjectives.

In Numeracy this week, the children continued to deepen their understanding of partitioning by completing missing number problems and problem solving e.g. $__ + 7 = 37$, $20 + __ = __7$. Next week, we will be focussing on partitioning numbers in different ways (e.g. $37 = 20 + 17$ or $30 + 5 + 2$ or $15 + 15 + 7$) and ordering numbers.

$$\begin{array}{l} 6 \square = \square + 6 \\ 7 \square = \square + 4 \end{array}$$

During indoor PE lessons, we have been choreographing a dance based on 'Celebrations' to the song 'Celebration' and have been impressed with lots of the great dance moves that the children have invented linked to various celebrations.

The children also enjoyed an African Drumming workshop on Wednesday where they learnt to play different rhythms and improve their musical ability.

Letters have gone out this week for parent teacher consultations which will be taking place on Tuesday 2nd and Thursday 4th October. We look forward to meeting with you.

Many thanks,

Miss Freeman, Miss Fiddler, Mrs Caine and Mrs Midgley