

Reception Newsletter

Friday 6th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week in Literacy, we have been learning the sounds **i**, **n**, **m** and **d**. We have also blended to read and segmented to spell words such as: sat, pin, tin, pan, and nip. We will continue to learn our sounds next week. Please find attached to this newsletter the sounds that we have learnt so far. The children are doing very well learning their sounds; please keep practising them at home. They need to become confident at instantly recognising the letter shape and being able to say the sound that it makes e.g., s = "sssss" not "suh."

In Numeracy this week, we have been sorting objects into sets. We have introduced the word 'sorting' and learnt that collections of objects can be sorted based on attributes including colour, size or shape. Next week we will be comparing, sorting and ordering different sizes from small to big or shorter to taller etc.

In our topic work this week, we have been looking at our family photographs and talking about what we like to do when we are with our families. Thank you for all the family photographs that have been sent into school which has really helped to enhance our learning this week. We have also introduced the Oxford Reading Tree (ORT) characters: Kipper, Biff, Chip, Mum and Dad and the children should be able to tell you something about them. These characters appear in some of our shared, whole class story books which we use to develop comprehension skills. Many of the stories can be found as ebooks on the Oxford Reading Tree website www.oxfordowl.co.uk

We hope you are enjoying receiving all the updates on Seesaw that have been uploaded so far. Please keep looking at your child's Seesaw profile as this will be regularly updated with observations, achievements and next steps for their learning which they can work on at home.

On Wednesday 18th October at 5:45pm we will be holding a Reception parents' information evening to present information about the Early Years curriculum, how we teach the children to learn here at Woodhouse and how best you can support your child with their learning at home. There will be a focus on reading as we introduce our exciting phonics scheme and share with you how we teach the children to read. We will share some top tips and techniques for helping your child learn to read and show the resources that will be sent home to help you support their phonics at home. The information evening will last for approximately 30-40 minutes. Please note this is an adult only event. Please sign up for this event on Arbor to book your place.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is: **I can talk about who is in my family and what is special to me.**

Following on from learning about our families, this week's word of the week is: **caring**

Our class reader this week is: **Our class is a family**



If you do have any concerns or questions do not hesitate to write them in your child's orange home/school book.

Many thanks

Miss Mason, Miss Vine and Mrs Rothwell

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