

Personal Social and Emotional Development

People who help us.

This week we will talk about all the people who help us in our family and school. We will think of the things we might need help with, and the children will have the opportunity to think of ways they can help others.

Understanding that someone needs help and also offering to help is very important in a child's personal, social and emotional development.

At home: discuss with your child what you need help with. Can your child help you sort the clean washing into people piles? Can they help set the table? Tidy up the toys?

Reading

Here are this week's 10 common words. It is not expected that your child knows these words straight away but has exposure to them when reading with your child. Can you see them in the child's library book? Reading books? Etc, Some of these words can be 'sounded out' using the children's phonic knowledge and some of them children will need to learn by sight.

Ten common words:

by for her if like my so with

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were one

This week we continue our Topic, Birthday. We will talk about Advent, when people get ready for the Birthday of Jesus. Advent is a season of longing and waiting for Christ to come. Christmas is the celebration of the Birthday of Jesus, the Son of God, a gift for the whole world.

It is a very exciting time!

Maths

This week we will exploring numbers 1-9. Children will learn to count from 1-9 in the correct order and think of the number that is one more or one less than a given number. Children will continue to count, subitise and compare as they explore one more and one less. We will keep practicing using our five frames and objects to count and predict how many there will be if they add one more or take one away.

At home: Ask your children to count how many steps it will take them to go from one part of the house to another. On the way to school and back ask your children to see if they can find numbers 1-9 around in the neighbourhood, i.e. house doors, signs, cars, shops etc.

Letter Sounds of the Week

Each week we will be learning and revising 4 letter sounds and beginning to blend them together to make words.

This week we are introducing the first phase 3 sounds.

ng - thing, string

ai - snail, rain

ee - see, tree

At home: Try and think of words that have the three sounds.

Talk for Writing

Last week the children enjoyed looking at pieces of ginger and having a smell of ground ginger. We then listened and watched the Gingerbread Man Story.

This week we will create a class story map of the Gingerbread man story. Children will then have a go at drawing the story map on a piece of paper. Once everyone is familiar with the story and we know it off by heart, the children will act out the story in front of their friends and we will video it.

Understanding the world

This week we will talk about different jobs people can do. We will talk about the jobs our grown ups do and what they need to carry out their job (such as a computer, an office, a telephone, a van etc. Children will get to talk about what job they want to do when they grow up and why.

At home: tell your child about your job.

Parents Evenings

Remember to book your appointment!

Thank you to those parents who booked their appointments for parents evening. There is another parents evening on the **30**th **of November** for those unable to attende the one on the 23rd. Booking opens on the 23rd of November.