

Hello Reception Families,

Our 1<sup>st</sup> Fancy Dress Friday went fantastically today and I want to thank you all for your enthusiasm and effort. Here's to the next 10 over the rest of the year, may they get better and better!



We welcomed Miss Hood to the class last week, and sadly today was her last day as Mrs Dolbear is back with us next week! Yeah!!! Miss Hood loved her time with us and we have loved having her too and wish her all the best.

On Monday we started the week drawing and writing news about our weekend. I hope to do this every Monday, so chatting about the weekends adventures at home would be wonderful, as it will help to focus everyone's minds on what they did, ready to talk, draw and write about in school. We also started some handwriting, holding the pencil correctly. We are following the Read, Write inc. handwriting formation scheme. It has great rhymes to help remember how to write each letter and is on-line, should you want to re-enforce this at home. We also started looking over our phonic sounds, and have concentrated on letters s a t . We follow the Jolly Phonics scheme and this is fabulous as it has songs and all sorts on-line to have fun with. Next week we will focus on letters p i n .

In maths we have tried creating repeating colour patterns. This proved trickier than it seemed and we will re-visit this again in the next few weeks. We also explored using Numicon shapes, identifying them from smallest to biggest and matching them to their corresponding number. We were great at this and all tried really hard.

Mucky Monday was again a Sunny Monday and we all went outside to do a listening walk. It was very peaceful in the school grounds; even the builders were fairly quiet! We then drew what we had heard and our pictures were awesome!

'Workout Wednesday' this week was all about Autumn animals and Mrs Howard realised she isn't getting any younger, as her frog was unable to crouch down to the ground, let alone bounce! The children jumped and hopped with great springiness though. Could I ask for all children to come on a Wednesday in more comfortable clothes for PE as we are unable to help with full clothes changing due to COVID restrictions. A big shout out to everyone for being able to put on their own shoes and socks at the end. WHOOHOO!



Some new art work has come home from our lesson last Friday and also included with the art was each child's individual Hwb password. If you Google Hwb and log in you can see lots of different fun things for you and your child to do on-line. These details would also be needed, as Mrs Field mentioned in her weekly letter, if at any point children needed to work from home, as happened before the Summer.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy weekend, and we will see you all refreshed and raring to go on Monday. ♥

Many thanks,

Mrs Howard.



