

Holly Class Weekly Newsletter

What we are learning in EYFS this week...

Literacy: The story, 'The Squirrels that squabbled' by Rachel Bright

We will:

- Learn the following vocabulary: *flighty, spontaneous, plentiful, convinced, wistfully, haste, intent, cease.*
- Explain why sharing is important.
- Describe the story setting and characters, saying how the characters were different.

You might want to:

- Talk about ways we can all share.
- Go on an Autumn walk and collect objects such as acorns, pinecone and conkers to share back at school.
- Find out about animals that hibernate during winter.
- Look for trees that are evergreen and do not lose their leaves.
- Make rubbings from the leaves you collect.

Phonics: This week we will be learning to recognise, say and write the following sounds:

b - Down the laces, over the toe and to the heel.

f - Down the stem and draw the leaves.

e - Slice into the egg, go over the top, then under the egg.

l - down the long leg

You might want to:

- Practise saying the sound of each letter,
- Read your school reading book daily and spotting these new sounds
- Play 'I spy with my little eye' using initial sounds
- Use crayons, sand, chalk or paint to practise forming the letters correctly.
- Blending the sounds learnt to say or read 2 and 3 letter words.

Mathematics:

We will begin phase 2 of White Rose Maths: It's Me 123

- We will be looking at different representations of 1, 2 and 3.
- Looking at different combinations to make 3 using visual aids.
- We will practise subitizing.
- We will practise correct number formation.
- We will explore 1 more and 1 less.
- We will be looking at positional language, using the story 'Rosie's Walk' as a stimulus.

You might want to:

- Go on a number hunt inside and out.

Explore where they can find numbers 1 to 3 and beyond.

Practise subitizing (saying how many without needing to count) small amounts.

Key books to support this unit:

- **How to Count to One by Caspar Salmon**
- **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**
- **The Gingerbread Man**
- **A Squash and a Squeeze by Julia Donaldson**
- **The Three Billy Goats Gruff**
- **Anno's Counting Book by Mitsumasa Anno**

Understanding the world:

- We will continue our work looking at the season of Autumn. What is changing outside during Autumn?
- How do I celebrate harvest?
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000zvv4/my-first-festivals-series-2-6-harvest>

Expressive arts and design:

- We will create Autumn Art and make leaf rubbings.
- We will listen to 'The Four Seasons' By Vivaldi.

Physical Development:

P.E this term is on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit and has their drink bottle in school. Please ensure all jewellery is removed.