



Reception Weekly Newsletter

Term: Autumn Term 2 Week: 3 Week ending: 18.11.2022

Religious Education

Other Faiths - Judaism

This week we found out all about the faith of Judaism. We read the story of the destruction of the temple and the miracle of the oil in the menorah. We found out about how Jewish people celebrate Hanukkah, 'The festival of light', by lighting the menorah, playing the dreidel game and making our own menorah from clay. We also made some Hanukkah cards.

Communication & language

Literacy

This week we have celebrated world nursery rhyme week and immersed ourselves in nursery rhymes both old and new. The children enjoyed listening out for the rhyming words and then later in the week we read the Oi stories by Kes Gray and we predicted what object or animal the other animals were going to sit on. Over the next couple of weeks, we are going to be reading stories and poems with repeated patterns from the author Michael Rosen.

Maths

This week we continued learning about counting and subitising by looking at dot patterns and numerals and putting that many objects onto a 5 frame. We learnt that even if the position that the counters are in changes, the quantity remains the same. We made towers with cubes using different amounts and compared these with our talk partners, discussing if we had more, fewer or the same amount. We also looked at different representations of numbers and had to pick out all the many ways we spotted 5 being shown. Next week we will learn about time

Phonics

This week's we learnt phonemes
ff, ll, ss, s (saying z)

We have now completed our teaching of our level 2 phonemes. We will continue to practise our skills, particularly correct letter formation and reading and writing words in phoneme frames whilst we do some informal assessments next week. We will work with the children to see how well they are able to recognise the phonemes and tricky words and blend and segment words in order to move on to our next set of phonemes in level 3.



Expressive Arts & Design

We have been making Hanukkah cards using different collage materials for the Star of David and clay to make menorahs using candles.

Home Learning

This week we are reinforcing counting to 5 and our number formation by counting the nursery rhyme objects or characters and then writing the matching number to identify how many there are. We also have some initial sounds work in which the children need to practice their scissor skills and cut out the pictures and match them to the correct initial sound.

Can we ask that all sheets are stuck into the homework books please and unless it is letter / number formation where it is nice to practise in different colours then can you ensure that your child complete homework in pencil please.

Thank you.

Parent / Teacher meetings

Wednesday 23rd November- Autumn term meetings will run from 2-6pm. Bookings for this opened yesterday. Slots will be 7 minutes long per family. If you need to discuss anything in more detail with your child's teacher, please arrange a phone call or to meet with the teacher on another occasion.