



Reception Weekly Newsletter

Term: Spring Term 1

Week: 4

Week ending: 03.02.2023

Religious Education

From Galilee to Jerusalem

This week we reminded ourselves of the scripture from the Bible that told the story of Jesus and the little Children. We thought about people we care about in our Community of school, home and Parish and made a list of the people who are important to us.

Communication, Language and Literacy

This week we have been planning and writing the second half of our 'Juniper Jupiter' Story. We sequenced the events for the penguin problem section (Joop our superhero could not find a sidekick) and then wrote a sentence to go with this and then finally ordered the elephant ending section and then wrote a sentence to go with this. The children are really focusing on improving their work; whether that is by remembering their finger spaces, keeping their letters on the line or including a full stop at the end. Well done everyone!

Maths

We learnt about addition this week and practised counting the total amount of objects in two sets by moving the objects 'altogether'. The children could do this practically by counting all of the objects, but found it a little more difficult when they had to represent this by journaling what they could see. We also looked at counting on and what happened to our amount when we added one or two more.

Phonics

This week our phonemes were **air**, **ure** and **er** and **oo** (long and short), **ar** and **or**. As stated on our weekly home learning sheet, please continue to practise all phonemes as we are learning a new digraph / trigraphs every day and it can become a bit confusing for the children if these are not reinforced regularly.

Expressive arts and design

It has been a busy and creative week this week. The children have begun to paint their very own dragon for Chinese New Year. The fire-station role play outdoors and the Police station role-play indoors has continued to be busy. We seem to have a lot of 'bad guys' on the loose in Reception. We have loved playing the instruments and singing and dancing on the stage, particularly to our Juniper Jupiter song.

Home Learning

Literacy – This week for Literacy we have sent a comprehension story and activity sheet. Please complete this with your child, encouraging them to read the short passage and to find the answers in the text where possible. For the sentence, please let them have a go to write this, using their phonics knowledge.

Maths – Addition to 10

We used a counting all strategy this week to find out how many items all together. Please do this to find the answers to the number sentences.

Understanding the World

We have learnt so much this week about 'people who help us' from all of our parent visitors. Thank you to all of you for giving up your time to come in and share what you do in our community with the children. We found out all about the roles of police officers, nurses and radiographers. We investigated the equipment they needed to do their jobs and what uniforms they have to wear.

Other information - Dates for your diary

Week beginning 5th February – Children's mental health week – the theme for this year is '**My voice matters**'. Similarly, **Tuesday 7th February** – Safer internet day; the slogan this year here is '**Inspiring change**' which encourages Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. In Reception we will be reading some stories about how to stay safe online and the e-cadets will be coming to share some information with us.

A reminder that we are collecting for the South Liverpool foodbank on **Monday 5th February** as we try to be like Jesus and live out our faith in our world.

Friday 9th February – School finishes for half term at the usual time of 3.00pm