

F1 Weekly News



9.2.26

Literacy/Drawing Club – We will enjoy a old animation – Batfink! The Short Circuit Case. We will talk about the hero in the story and the mad scientist. We will link this to our learning of light and dark and use our sounds to write labels for some inventions.

Phonics – We continue to learn new sounds and review ones we have learnt so far. The children have been working so hard on their sounds and are now applying them to both read and write words. Hopefully the children have been sharing their sounds with you at home, please help them to practise them and spot them in their reading books.

Reading Books - We are so proud of well the children are practising and applying their phonic skills to their reading. Unfortunately, we are quite limited with our range of books and we are at the stage where the children have whizzed through our books but now we do not have any books that have the sounds they have learnt in!! Therefore, your child will come home with a book they have read before. Please take the opportunity to encourage your child to practise their 'Speedy Reading'. This is where they Fred Talk in their head and then read the word, building on their fluency. We will have a look at possibly sending home our RWI books as well.

Maths – this week we will be exploring shapes. We will look at circles, triangles, squares and rectangles, exploring what makes them these shapes and how they can look different. We will look at the properties of the shapes and there will be lots of sorting, printing with the shapes, making pictures with them and looking for them in our environment. Have a look around your house and see what shapes you can find!

Tapestry Focus – Understanding the World – People and Communities - They know that other children don't always enjoy the same things, and are sensitive to this. They know about similarities and differences between themselves and others, and among families, communities and traditions. For example, can children talk about how they are different from their friends or other children? Can they talk about and identify their own family traditions or those of other people that may be the same or different? Please upload a photo or write an observation of your child showing any of this learning. This will support our assessment of your child's learning in this area.

Topic learning – linked to our topic and learning about light and dark, we will investigate nocturnal animals. We will find out which animals are nocturnal, their homes, what they eat etc.

Children's Mental Health Week – This is this week. The theme for this year is "This is My Place" to promote a sense of belonging among young people. We will take some time in class to think about our feelings and what we can do if we are feeling sad or need help in any way.

We will introduce our topic of Minibeast Detectives after half term. As part of this learning, we have organised a visit from ZooLab on **Tuesday 3rd March**, who will bring in some creatures for us to look at and learn about. Our wonderful PTA will pay for some of the cost of this visit, but we are also asking for a voluntary parent contribution of £4.50 to enable this session to go ahead. You can pay this donation by logging in to your Bromcom account. Thank you.

Thank you