

F1 Weekly News



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Literacy/Drawing Club – This week, we will enjoy the book *Would you rather...* By John Burningham. This is a lovely story encouraging the children to not only make some decisions but to also use their imagination with the various options and scenarios. We will use the story to help us explore our imaginations and write simple sentences and labels.

Phonics – Always continuing with the sounds!!! We are spending a lot of time in revising the sounds already learnt and using them to read and write words. A challenge is to write simple sentences with words using these sounds – maybe you could challenge your child to write sentences at home, or shopping lists.

Maths – This week, the children will consolidate their understanding of the composition of 5 and practise recalling the parts of 5 when 1 part is not visible. A key representation of the composition of 5 will be the fingers of 1 hand, and the children's attention will be focused on both the fingers that are 'up' and those 'folded down', connecting this to a rhyme about 5 kittens jumping 'down' from the bed. They will also be encouraged to subitise when an arrangement does show 5, and when it does not.

In addition, the children will have an opportunity to build on previous work on the composition of 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit', and see that both 8 and 9 can be composed as '5 and a bit'. A range of representations in which 5 is visible as a clear part will be used, including fingers, the double dice frame and the 10-frame. Discussing and comparing these representations will enable children to generalise that each of the numbers 6 to 9 can have 5 as a part.

Other learning – This week we will be thinking about all the wonderful natural materials that are in the wood. We will enjoy being in and around nature, think about the colours we can see, the various smells, the sounds etc. We will make some collections of these natural materials so that we can look at them closely.

Library – on Thursday we hope to visit the library again. The children were absolutely fantastic on our first visit last time. We shall return the books we borrowed and choose some more to bring back to class.

Wednesday 6th May – We will have a class photo taken on this day along with black and white portraits.

Thank you

Let Us Play in the Woods Today Song

(Sing to the tune of 'Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush'.)

Let us play in the woods today,
Woods today, woods today.

Let us play in the woods today,
We're learning as we're playing.

Let us collect the leaves today,
Leaves today, leaves today.

Let us collect the leaves today,
We're learning as we're playing.

Let's hide behind the trees today,
Trees today, trees today.

Let's hide behind the trees today,
We're learning as we're playing.

Let us sit on the stumps today,
Stumps today, stumps today.

Let us sit on the stumps today,
We're learning as we're playing.

Let us all build a den today,
Den today, den today.

Let us all build a den today,
We're learning as we're playing.

