

Night and Day

6th December



Maths

This week we will be singing lots of counting songs and rhymes to reinforce the sequence that we count in from 1-10.

We will use our fingers to represent quantities to 5 and if we are able to, also represent quantities to 10

We will also build on our knowledge of the written numbers and complete activities that help us to recognise numerals to 5 (and 10 if we are able to).

We will revisit all the shapes that we have used in our learning this term- squares, rectangles, circles and triangles and complete activities that encourage us to match and sort these shapes.

Expressive Arts and Design

This week we will be actors and performers, we can't wait to perform our Nativity to you!

We will be getting all Christmassy and doing some Christmas craft practising our scissor skills and our drawing skills.

We are also going to continue to read the story of the snowman and act out our own adventures.



Communication and Language

This week we will perform our Nativity to you. We have learnt lots of songs to sing to you and have been listening to and following instructions of what to do and when in the performance.

We are working hard at sitting on the carpet during our Phonics session and our Maths session- these are both very short sessions at the moment while the children get used to sitting.

Personal, Social and Emotional development

We are re-visiting all the emotions that we have been learning about (happy, sad, cross, scared, calm, and caring) over the next two weeks and how they make us feel and what this might look like on someone else.

We continue to have a feeling a day to discover what it means and how we can show that feeling or help others who are showing that feeling.

Phonics

We are now reviewing the single letter sounds for some children and other children are now learning the two letter sounds (diagrams e.g. sh).

We are making simple cvc words using magnetic letters and boards, leading to starting to read simple cvc words by 'Fred talking' and then 'saying the sounds.'

You can watch the videos for the letter sounds on our school's virtual classroom on our website:

https://www.loxwoodschool.com/web/phonics_and_early_reading/635274

Welcome to our Read Write Inc. 'Virtual Classroom'. Below you will see links to videos that teach the set 1 simple letter sounds and digraphs, set 2 and set 3 slowly and reading words that contain each sound. The class teach the sounds and activity the same way that we teach them in school. Please watch these videos with your children and encourage them to join in with the interactive parts of the videos.
Set 1 sounds



Literacy

Those children, who are ready, are now practising writing the letter sounds in books as part of their phonic session.

Children who are now blending sounds and reading words are bringing home reading books to practise this skill with you. Please do not worry if your child doesn't have a book yet- it just means they aren't quite ready.

Drawing club- the children are enjoying this mark making club- This week, we will be continuing to use "The snowman" by Raymond Briggs as our inspiration.

Understanding of the world

We have been talking about winter and the signs that we can see in nature that tell us it is winter. We will be using our knowledge to create wintry pictures.

Over the next two weeks, we will do some more work on the festival of Christmas and why this is important to Christians and also learn about the festival of Hanukkah and why this is important to Jewish people.



Physical Development

Our PE day is on WEDNESDAY with Mr Green- Your children are working hard to change into their PE kits. Please encourage your child to change their clothes independently at home for practise.

We are encouraging those children who are ready, to hold a pencil and form the letter sounds that we have been learning.

Funky fingers- those children who are not ready to hold a pencil are taking part in funky fingers activities which are activities designed to strengthen the fine motor control

