

Dear Ladybirds and Bumblebees,

You are all doing such a great job remembering the phonemes that we have learnt so far this year and we can tell you you've been practising these a lot at home. Well done!

Rainbow Words can be a little bit harder to remember so do keep practising these too. This week why not try to find a way to make the Rainbow Words that we have learnt so far (is, the, to, I) memorable for you. Maybe you'd like to paint them on coloured card, or perhaps you'd like to chalk them outside on a patio or pavement and play a game where you have to run as quickly as you can to the word that someone calls out. Get as creative as you like and the more time you spend looking at them and saying them out loud, the easier you will find them to remember.

Have fun!

Love Buzz and Lottie



Week beginning 30th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have really enjoyed hearing about the children's half terms this week; it sounds like they all had a great time! And they all deserve a big well done for coming back to school with so much enthusiasm, ready for the term ahead.

Another 'well done' is needed for the fantastic Black History Month home learning projects we received this week. It was great to share these in our classes and they are now proudly on display in the corridor, for others to see.

We had a great start to our 'toys' topic this week, with the children particularly enjoying bringing in their teddies on Wednesday. We loved seeing these and hearing lots of stories about the children's favourite toys.

In English, the children have started to learn our new model text, Nothing, and have used this to complete their Cold Task, for which they drew and labelled key characters and events from the story. We are so impressed with how hard the children worked on this special piece of learning, and it's amazing to see the progress all the children have already made this year. We then used a story map to help us come up with actions for our new model text. The children always love doing this and came up with some fantastic actions.

In Maths this week, we have focused on the number 5 and how this can be represented using a die frame (see the image below). We also considered how our fingers can help us represent 5 and we discussed 5 and 5 making 10 altogether.



Thank you for continuing to read with your child and for helping them to learn their sounds. You will find this week's new sounds in their book bags today (y, z, qu, ch). You will notice that this week, the children learnt digraphs (qu and ch), where two letters make one sound. The children were excited for the challenge of learning these and blending words containing them. Keep it up, Ladybirds and Bumblebees!

Dates for your diary:

Friday 10th November - Flu vaccine

Week beginning 13th November -Anti-bullying week

Monday 13th November -Odd Socks Day (for Anti-Bullying Week) -wear odd socks to school

Friday 17th November -Children in Need Day -wear a spotty/yellow accessory

If you have any questions at any time, please do not hesitate to come and ask one of the team.

Have a great weekend,

The Foundation Team