



Chestnut's News



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Continuing the Learning Journey!!

It is hard to believe that we have completed half of a term already! The children have settled into school life with ease and although things are a little different they are as resilient as ever!

Today I shall be sending home a reading book and a yellow reading record. The reading books will either have no words or very few words. The aim at this stage is for your child to tell the story using their own words with the adult supporting to justify and predict what might happen. This is the very first stage of reading and is extremely valuable to aid a child's vocabulary and comprehension. Books will be changed twice a week. Please write or sign the yellow reading record so we can log your child's progress accurately. Thank you.

Aspects of learning:

- During Read, Write Inc I have taught the children lots of new phonic sounds and we have begun to 'blend' sounds to read too.
- The children have been identifying numbers and finding matching pairs.
- In art the children have created collages and sketched skeletons using chalks.



Focus on Learning

Our topic after the half term break is 'Festivals and Celebrations'.

We will endeavour to make Christmas time as wonderful as ever (although slightly different due to Covid). We will be having a Chestnut Nativity performance in December that will be available to view online.

Class Star Learner

Well done to Mason for demonstrating resilience and perseverance in all that he does!



Information for Families

As I am sure you can imagine, PE changing times are quite hectic. The children are still learning to undress and dress themselves and often need our help and support. However, they do tend to lose/misplace clothes during this time. When PE bags/kits are sent home to wash please check, and swap if necessary, if you find anyone else's. We have a book bag in class and a pair of black jogging bottoms that are not labelled. Please let me or Mrs Mount know if you think they are yours.

Have a wonderful half term break and I look forward to seeing you all again on November 2nd.

Many thanks,
The Chestnut Team