

Hello Mums and Dads

Once again thank you to those who have sent me emails and photos; it's lovely to see the children doing such lovely work. Remember the work I set is just a guide; don't feel you have to complete everything and children work at different rates and have different up and down days so don't worry if others seem to be working at a faster or slower rate, the important thing is to work at your child's pace. They are all different. If you feel they haven't fully understood something, feel free to go over the activity again or something similar.

English

* Read, Write, Inc - once again I've planned 3 lessons but remember the daily sessions on Youtube are worth looking at especially for practicing sounds and blends. Please feel free to do both or either. The link for the daily lessons is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCIg9GdxtQ

It's 10.00am for Mrs Vicky, Mr Rose and my group and 10.30am for Mrs Snowdon's group.

Don't forget that the RWI sounds packs that you got from Mrs G at parent consultation meetings will be really handy for going over sounds and green words.

* Handwriting - e and f are proving tricky to get right so I've attached a practice below which you can print or copy. Remember to start the letters in the correct place! Good handwriting means working on the finger and shoulder muscles so other good ideas for helping with handwriting are:

- Squeezing washing pegs.
- Scrunching up paper or squeezing a tennis ball.
- Colouring in and doing mazes.
- Knitting, sewing, using Hama beads.

* Exclamation Marks - I'm sure you've all seen exclamation marks in story books. You use an exclamation mark when something is surprising. Wow! Amazing! Oh no!

Watch the video on BBC Bitesize:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8x6cj6/articles/z3dcmsg>

Then have a go at the quizzes underneath the video.

* Listen to the story of The Curious Garden by Peter Brown on:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P3_WYXbIDhs

Isn't it a super story? Wouldn't it be amazing to find a hidden garden somewhere? Write a story about finding a hidden garden. Where did you find it?

How did you feel when you found the garden?

Did you look after the garden or did an exciting adventure happen to you in the garden?

When you write your story make sure you:

- Make your story exciting. I'll be reading these stories to my dog Hector and I don't want him falling asleep!
- Use capital letters and full stops and can you write some exciting sentences that need an exclamation mark? (Don't use exclamation marks all the time though!)
- Write neatly.

Please ask Mums and Dads if they would email your stories to me so I can read them to Hector.

Maths

This week we're going to:

- Keep practising counting up to 100.
- Count in tens.
- Use this counting to split numbers into tens and ones.
- Compare numbers.

* Watch this video (lots of times if you can until you're really good at counting in tens):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7stosHbZZZg>

Did you do the actions? (If Mums and Dads get sick of the tune, there are plenty of others on YouTube!)

* Watch my video below about making tens and ones. (Remember there are tens and ones to print below if you need to). Then get your tens and ones ready. Make the numbers below using the tens and ones:

43 28 30 18 22

54 72 67 80 96

(Mums and Dads - if your child finds this hard, ask them to make lower numbers, if they need a bit more practice, give them some more numbers)

* As well as making the numbers, say how many tens and ones there are in each number eg 67 has 6 tens and 7 ones. Can you also write these numbers in Part Whole Models like I did on the video?

* Have a go at the worksheet below: "Tens and ones Worksheet".

* Are you up for a challenge now? Have a go at "Tens and ones Challenge" below.

(Remember if you can't print then just copy the worksheet down or just answer the questions verbally.)

* As well as being able to recognise numbers, you need to be able to compare numbers which is knowing which numbers are the biggest and smallest. You need to use words like: greater than, less than, more than, fewer than. Look at the Power Point below (Comparing numbers) and try doing the activities.

Topic

* Luke's garden in The Curious Garden was at an old railway track and then the plants took over the city. I would like you to design a garden. You can show your design in any way you want, for example, use pencils, paints, a computer programme, make a model or something else. Think about:

- The shape and structure of the garden. It can be on different levels or be different shapes.
- Which plants you could have in your garden (you Eager Beavers could label and name your plants).
- Features you could have in your garden like a pond or benches.

* Alnwick Garden is a famous garden that people all over the world come to visit and we are lucky enough to have it really close to where we live. Find out some facts about Alnwick Garden. You can write your facts as a list or as a poster.

* Alnwick is in the United Kingdom. Did you know there are four countries in the United Kingdom? What do you think they are? Watch the video:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zyhp34j/articles/z4v3jhv>

There are some puzzles to do below the video. I'd like you to try and remember the names of those four countries as we are going to be finding out about them over the next few weeks.

I hope you're all keeping safe and well and are enjoying the activities.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.