



Nursery Weekly update: 19.10.2020

Messages:

Happy Monday everyone,

Key dates:

Autumn 2: Tuesday 3rd November 2020 - Friday 18th December 2020

Half term holiday: Monday 25th October 2020 - Friday 29th October 2020

INSET: Monday 2nd November 2020, the school will be closed on Monday for the children.

Our Nursery will be welcoming the children back on Tuesday, 03.11.2020.

Punctuality is an important life-skill to learn an early age. Children get very upset arriving late to their class, not to mention the disruption to their learning if they miss out on the early-morning, English carpet session or Maths carpet session. Please bring your child to school on time!

I am so proud of how the Nursery children have settled into their new class and into the daily routines in place to keep them safe. Handwashing and using hand-gels is a regular event throughout the day and the children fully understand why they have to do this.

The children are happy, busy making friends and have been bravely exploring their new learning environments. We have been talking about ourselves and our families and the children have been looking closely to draw and paint themselves. We've had some wonderful self-portraits in our learning journeys!

Please remember to label all of your child's items of clothing and to check regularly if your child's spare clothes' bag has at least one top, one bottom, one pair of socks and one pair of underwear. Thank you for all your help and for all your support!

Have a lovely week and please remember that we break up for half term this week!

Maths:

In Maths, this week we used a teddy bear or small-world toy bear to demonstrate the prepositions from the story. We have explored other words like 'next to', 'on' and 'behind'. Encourage children to play at home with the toys and place them in correct location based on adult instructions, for example, 'Can you put the red bear under the chair?'

English:

This week we have been focusing on 'We're going on a bear hunt' and the actions from the story. The book is filled with repetition, firstly, the story, "We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared", and secondly, the sounds involved in overcoming the obstacles the family must pass like "splash splosh" when the family go through the river. Each sound is repeated 3 times for effect the book.

Watch online here: <https://youtu.be/Ogyl6ykDwds> the story with your child and ask him/her to say and copy the actions.

Homework:

In a large plastic tray, create areas representing the different settings seen in the story 'We're going on a bear hunt' for children to use with small-world toys. You could use tissue paper strips for the grass, cotton wool for snow, shiny paper for the river, twigs for the forest, soil for the mud and an empty container for the cave. Please take photos and send them to my class email: ericcarle@duncombeprimary.co.uk. On the first day back, I will look with the children during our 'Show and Tell' session at these photos and your child can present his/her homework activity to their classmates. Have fun! Happy half term!

Watch the story online here: <https://youtu.be/Ogyl6ykDwds>