

News from Foundation Stage

Friday 13th November

Investigating Diwali

The beginning of November sees the Hindu festival of Diwali taking place. It is a festival of light overcoming the dark. So, in Reception we have been investigating the dark! We have really enjoyed going in our dark tent with the torches, so we can talk with our friends.



We also enjoyed making pictures using lots of different coloured materials, when we turned the making table all black. We have enjoyed being outside and making our own firework music using the instruments. On black paper we have been busy exploring the different colours we can paint by mixing red, yellow and blue together, so we can paint a firework sky.



Now we have started to put the sounds together to make words, which we can read, like is, sat, pan, or it. Thank you to all who have been busy practising the actions over half term.

Library time!

Just before half term, Mrs Batchelor from St Neots library came to talk about books with us. She reminded us that we can borrow lots of different books from the library, for free! Don't forget to drop into the library and see what it has to offer.

Nursery Rhyme week

This week, it has been National Nursery Rhyme week, and we have been inspired to learn by lots of rhymes ~ some old and well known, and some that are new. We have been exploring how we can change blue using white paint (Little Boy Blue) and our fiddling fingers activity is winding the bobbin up, using lots of different materials. Have a look at Facebook and the website to see photos of our explorations.

Wows!

We really love sharing good news in class... whether it be about school or something from home. At the bottom of each newsletter, you will find a Wow slip, which you can cut off and send back to school with some exciting news. Please share the joy ~ however big or small.

Phonics

We have been busy learning more of our first letter sounds ~ g, o, c, ck, e, u and r, as well as h, b, f. We know what the action for each letter is and what sound it makes. We have been having a go at writing each one using our "magic pencils" in the air and on our hands. Some of us have had a go at writing them on the chalkboards inside and outside.



Rhyme of the week

This week's rhyme has been...

"Little Boy Blue"

Little Boy Blue, come blow on your horn,
the cow's in the meadow and the sheep in the corn.
Where is that boy who looks after the sheep?
Under the haystack fast asleep.
Will you wake him, oh no, not I.
For if I do, he will surely cry.

Our rhyme for next week will be...

"The Queen of hearts"

The Queen of hearts she made some tarts all on a summer's day.
The knave of hearts he stole the tarts and took them clean away.
The king of hearts called for the tarts and beat the knave full sore
The knave of hearts brought back the tarts and vowed he'd steal no more.

WANTED...

We would love the following items for use in Reception.

Buttons

Odd balls of knitting wool

Any craft bits and bobs that we can use on the Making trolley

Thank you for all your help.

Wow!

Here is something amazing to share!
