



RECEPTION - Autumn 1

Classroom

News



Avondale
Primary School



Week Commencing - 23rd September 2024

OUR NEXT STEPS IN LEARNING

Next steps in Language – This week during our Time to Talk sessions we will introduce pupils to our “Good Listening and Talking Rules” and will play games to help reinforce our understanding of the narrative question – Who? Our ‘Nursery Rhyme Of The Week’ is “Incy Wincy Spider”

How you can support at home –

- Sing lots of nursery rhymes at home. Research has found that when a child knows eight or more nursery rhymes by heart, at the age of 4, that they are usually one of the best at reading and spelling in their class by the age of 8!
- Click on the link to sing the rhyme – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QjGPmnuAaY>

Next steps in Phonics – we will be learning the next sounds in Phase 2- t, p, i. Using our 3-part teaching sequence – Hear it say it, See it say it, Say it write it, we will learn the sound (phoneme) and how to write each letter (grapheme). We will blend these sounds to make and read simple words such as – it, pit, is, sit, tip. We will continue to practice orally blending and segmenting sounds in words.

How you can support at home –

- Encourage your child to recognise and read the following sounds – s, a, t, p, i
- Practise blending sounds to read the words – it, pit, is, sit, tip.
- Can your child spot any of these sounds and letters in their environment or a story book?

Next steps in Literacy – This week, to commence our topic on pirates we will be visited by Pirate Pete. He will leave us a special treasure map and story to help us find the treasure. This week, our key text in Literacy is We're Going on a Treasure Hunt. During Literacy. We will learn about story maps and how these can support us when retelling a story. The pupils will be encouraged to use their oracy and drama skills to retell the story using words and actions. We will also create a large class story map to help us retell the story in order.

How you can support at home –

- Share a bedtime story and develop their love for reading – talk about the title, illustration and blurb.

Next steps in Maths – This week, the children will engage with activities that draw attention to the purpose of counting – to find out ‘how many’ objects there are. They have used subitising to identify the number in a set; they will now develop their counting skills to enable them to identify how many there are in a set that cannot be subitised. This connects subitising and counting to cardinality whereby the last number in the count tells us ‘how many’ things there are altogether. They will also practise developing 1:1 correspondence, by counting numbers up to 5 at the same time as moving or tagging the objects. The children will also explore how all sorts of things can be counted, including sounds.

Singing counting rhymes will give them opportunities to hear, join in with and develop their knowledge of the counting sequence. Our number rhyme this week will be One Elephant Went out to Play.

How you can support at home –

- Practise counting objects around your house.
- Look for and talk about numerals in the environment.
- Sing our number rhyme – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQf6yWEScB8>

As part of our Pirate theme, we will learn about magnets. In our investigation area pupils will be encouraged to sort and classify materials according to magnetic / not magnetic. During circle time we will continue to share our All about Me Posters and reflect on being a member of Reception. As part of our Jigsaw Unit – Being Me in the World – we will continue to explore our feelings.

Reception Curriculum Workshops for Parents

Over the next few weeks, we have planned a series of curriculum workshops to help develop your understanding of what your child will be learning in their first year at school.

EYFS WORKSHOP 2

Developing your child's Communication and Language With Louise Laycock



At Avondale, we are lucky to have our own speech therapist who supports with pupils' language development within school. During Wednesday's workshop she will focus on the importance of supporting early communication and language, both in school and at home.

She will also be able to answer any questions you may have about your child's speech. We really hope you can join us for this workshop on -

Wednesday 25th September - 3.30 - 4.15pm

This workshop will be held in the Reception unit. We look forward to seeing you there.

**HAVE A LOVELY WEEK
THE EYFS TEAM**

