



17th March 2017

Dear Parents,

In phonics this week the children have been learning to recognise the digraphs:

- er (better, letter, butter)
- oi (coin, join, soil)

and revisited:

- igh (light, night, fight)
- oa (coat, boat, soap)

They have learnt the tricky words: her, all and my

In maths this week the children have been learning to subtract. We have used the vocabulary take away, subtract, minus, less or eaten to talk about subtraction in different situations. The children have been reminded to count carefully to find out how many are left. You might like to support your child to develop their subtraction skills practically over the weekend using their toys or fruit/snacks that they are eating or by setting them verbal number sentences e.g. $5-2=$ ___ and ask them to record their independent learning in their sharing book.

In literacy this week the children have been trying to catch the 'evil pea' from the story Supertato. They have made wanted posters, written a list of vegetables, written letters, made superhero vegetables and practiced writing their tricky words. We have had great fun!

Sharing Book Challenge

- To write a sentence about one or more activities that they did at the weekend. This might be about a place you have visited, something they have played with or someone they have seen. Remember to ask your child to segment each word they are using independently. I have attached a phoneme mat for you to keep to support your child's writing at home. Please write underneath any words that may be more difficult to read when your child has finished.

Home Learning

- WOW! What an amazing response we received from the updated homework letter sent last week. Thank you to all of the parents who got involved and supported their child at home last week. 16 children shared work from their green books with the class on Monday and it was wonderful to see a wide range of learning taking place and the excitement on the children's faces as they shared their learning with their peers and received their home learning points.

Next Week:

- Friday 24th March is 'Wear something Funny for Money' day to raise money for comic relief.
- The children are encouraged to bring in and wear hats on sunny days but please do not send your child in with sunglasses (unless you have discussed a medical condition with myself) as these are not allowed at playtime. We will discuss this with the children next week.

Thank you, Miss Hughes

