

Learning Journal 27.2.15

Before we look at this week here are some pictures of our last week at school before the holidays that didn't make it to the Learning Journal.



We baked cakes for a special party for the Year 4 children. We have been learning about Special People in RE and we wanted to say thank you for all the time they spend looking after us as House Captains and Playground Helpers.



Here is our party. We had a great time with our older friends.

The nice weather has meant we can spend more and more time outside having fun in the sunshine.



We have made the most of the sunshine, building mermaid houses and sailing in our boat!

This week we have all got back to work. We are learning about bedtime and bed clothes and coverings and have made a big bed in the classroom where we can read bedtime stories, listen to lullabies and cuddle up with our teddies. Everyone loves playing in here and we are onto our second blow up bed already.



We have promised the children that they can come to school in their pyjamas one day but this has not been fixed yet. We will inform you when we have found a date but there are lots of other things happening this

term and we are still planning dates in the diary. If your child insists on wearing their pyjamas to school, please assure them that it will happen before the Easter holiday.

We are aware that bedtime can be an issue for some children and if this is difficult for your child please let us know as we will be working on good sleep practices and bedtime routines and we can work with you to encourage your child to develop good bedtime habits. We also know that sleep issues can affect children's performance at school so it helps if you keep us informed.

In phonics, Reception children have been learning their next set of sounds. We learn a new sound most days so if your child misses a day of school it makes it hard for them to catch up. Our new sounds are all made up of two letters. We will send them home to practise once we have introduced them all.

We are also working on rhyming words. We play 'I hear with my little ear, something that rhymes with.....' and the children have to find the rhyming word. You can play this at home giving your child lots of examples if they are stuck to help them hear the rhymes.



The youngest children have worked very hard to recognise their numbers and colours this week and they are making good progress. They have a short learning time every day where they work with an adult to practise a specific skill.

We all have great fun in our PE lessons and this class are exceptionally good at working as a team, catching and throwing and playing games. Mr Jackson our PE teacher is really pleased with them and makes them work really hard. They are learning to pass the ball



to a team member; defend by catching the ball from the opposite team and score goals.

Please take time to read the latest newsletter on Parentmail as we have organised several nice events for parents to come along and watch or join in. There will be a few changes this year so check parentmail for details of important dates and events, such as our Mother's Day celebration, Easter Service and Red Nose Day. It will be a busy half term!!!