



Nursery Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 3rd June 2024

We hope you had a lovely half term break and did lots of fun things together as a family. If you haven't completed your slip for our trip to Cannock Chase for the 'Teddy Bears Picnic' please can you do so as soon as possible. Any helpers welcome, if you have already said that you can help, then you will be joining us on our trip.

In Literacy this week, we will begin our new text, 'Ten Little Pirates'. We will use role play and a story map to help us learn to retell the story. We will draw the different characters from the story.

In Maths this week, we will continue practising our counting skills. We will be counting 10, practise writing the numbers and count backwards from 5.

In RE, we will continue our new unit 'God's Family'. We will talk about being thankful to the people that look after us. *With your child, can you talk about some of the things they might be thankful for.*

In Understanding the World, we will begin our topic of 'Pirates'. We will learn about pirate ships and their different parts. We will create our pirate ships in our books, developing our cutting skill.

In Expressive Arts & Design, we will think about 'Pirates' and we will explore drawing chalk pictures, while listening to sea themed pirate music.

Focus words this week: *pirate, counting, thankful, ocean, numbers*

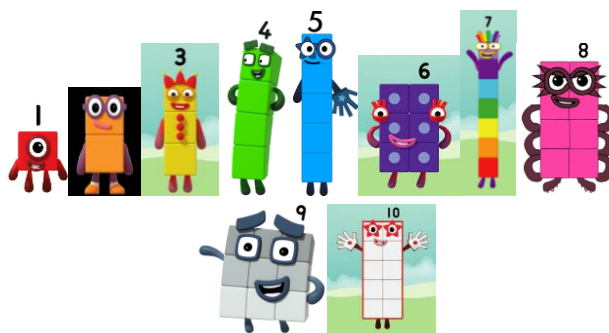
Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Ten Little Pirates



Maths Focus: Counting to 10



Can you build a tower of ten bricks?
Can you count ten toys?
Can you count your stairs as you go up them?

Rhyme of the week

Zoom Zoom Zoom, We're going to the moon.
Zoom Zoom Zoom, We're leaving very soon.
If you want to take a trip, Climb aboard my rocket ship,
Zoom Zoom Zoom, We're going to the moon.
Zoom Zoom Zoom, We're leaving very soon.
5,4,3,2,1--BLAST OFF!

Story Time

Reading books will be changed on a **Monday**.
Please send your child's book bag into school each day with their planner and reading book. Please ensure the planner is signed to show that you have read with your child.
Thank you.

Reminder: We will open the gates for the morning parents to come and collect the children from the classroom and for the afternoon parents to bring their child down and help them with their coat and bag.

Nursery Staffing Arrangements

The Nursery class is being taught by a Nursery Team of staff: Mrs Bamforth, Mrs Evans (Teacher) and Mrs Machin (Teaching Assistant).

If you have any concerns, please contact Mrs Hannett.



As the weather is improving, please ensure your child has sun cream applied to them prior to coming to school.

Please send in a sunhat to wear when we are outdoors. If you want these can be kept in school, please just make sure your child's name is clearly labelled.

Home Readers

As you will have noticed, each of your children brought home a 'home reader' book. These are for you to read with your child and develop an enjoyment and excitement for reading.

You can change these books whenever you are ready too.

Morning parents: In the morning, when you drop your child off, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

Afternoon parents: At the end of the day, when you collect your child, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

This week the children will:

- Continue to practice our counting daily, numbers up to 16, when we count the children in class.
- We will read the story 'Ten Little Pirates'.
- We will learn to retell the story through a story map, actions and role play.
- We will draw the characters from the story.
- We will practice counting.
- We will count backwards from 5.
- Practice writing some pre-writing shapes and our names.
- We will learn about pirate ships.
- We will use our cutting skills to make our pirate ship.
- Practising using our manners, saying 'Yes please', and 'No thank you' during snack time.
- We will learn to use 1p to pay for our snack at snack time.
- Practising taking turns and sharing during our guided play.
- We will role play in a pirate ship.
- We will learn about God's Family.
- We will be thankful for the people who care about us.
- We will also continue to learn our daily prayers.

Important dates

RETURN TO SCHOOL - Monday 3rd June

Thursday 13th June - Nursery trip to Tanglewood - 'Teddy Bears Picnic' - Children to bring a teddy to the picnic. Please return reply slips as soon as possible, if you haven't already done so.

Thursday 20th June - Parent Workshop 'Pirates Day'

Morning group - 10.45-11.45

Afternoon group - 2.15-3.15

Saturday 29th June - Parish Mini Fair at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Darlaston 12.30-3.30pm, followed by Mass at 4pm. Please come along and support our school, parish and readers at Mass.

Monday 8th July - Sports day at 9.15am. If your child normally attends in the afternoon, you can swap their session for the morning, so they can participate.

Friday 12th July - Transition morning, children from Nursery moving into reception and Stay & Play for our new nursery children, 9.30-11.00

BREAK UP FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS - Friday 19th July