



Peek at the Week

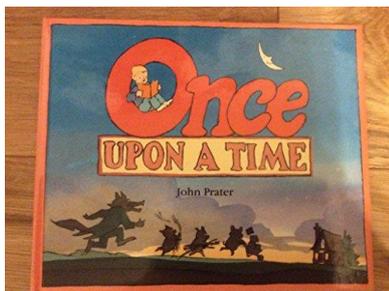
Friday 11th September



Welcome to Waveney Class's weekly newsletter. In it you will find out what your child has been learning about at school/nursery during the week. We will also provide you with home learning



activities. We have had a very busy week and we are very impressed with how the children have settled and the way they have been making new friends.



This week, we have been using **Once Upon a Time** by John Prater as our focus book to introduce our theme for this half term of **Stepping Into Stories**. We listened to the story and talked about the characters. Then we drew one of the characters and had a go at writing the character's name or a sentence.

We have learnt all about number 1 in a wider context. We discussed units of measure such as 1 kilogram, 1 litre, 1 metre and 1 centimetre. We looked at 1 penny and £1 and talked about what we thought we could buy with them. Then we did coin rubbings. We also made clocks and had a go at showing 1 o'clock on a clock face. Some of us made other o'clock times. We were introduced to a sphere, which has 1 curved surface and enjoyed playing with balls of different sizes.



If your child has a reading book without words, can they look at the pictures and tell the story from them? Can they turn the pages from front to back? Can they indicate the front cover, first page and last page? Can they point to the top of the page and the bottom of the page? Can they say whether they liked the story, which part they liked best? Can they identify the characters? Can they relate the story to their own experiences?

In phonics Reception have been using their voices to make sounds, making rhythms and clapping syllables. Mrs Bishop's group is working on Phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs.



Each week we will choose a Star of the Week who will be awarded a certificate. Well done to **Felix** who is Waveney Class's first Star of the week this week! He has done some fantastic activities, has listened very well and has been kind, gentle and helpful.

REMINDERS!

- There are several items of clothing, particularly jumpers, that have no names in yet – it would help us ensure your child brings the correct clothing home if everything is named. Thank you.
- The children need to come dressed in **PE** kit on **Monday** for PE.
- They do not need to bring their uniform to change into.

PLEASE NOTE!

- **Bags** – We do understand that it is difficult for the children to carry all their belongings, and the safety implications of not being able to hold your hand, so it has been agreed that Waveney Class can bring their snack and reading folder in a bag. We would prefer it if the water bottle was held separately to avoid spillages inside. Unfortunately, the school book bags that were ordered have not arrived yet, but should be here soon. In order to be able to store their bags and for cross contamination reasons, the children should not bring soft toys or other items from home in their bag.
- The reading folder should only contain their reading book and records – we would appreciate it if you don't put snack in it, as this can damage the books.
- The school is a nut free school so if your child brings a packed lunch, please do not include products containing nuts, including peanut butter.



Thank you for your support with these.

HOME LEARNING

NURSERY Sing some counting songs and show amounts to 5 on fingers.

RECEPTION Give your child lots of opportunities to count groups of objects. They could count buttons, socks, cars, beads. Can they say one number as they count each object? Can they write the total that they have counted?

YEAR 1 / 2 Make a number line by writing numbers on a strip of paper. How far can you go without missing any numbers?

Have a lovely weekend! The Early Years Team