



Peek at the Week

Friday 16th September

Welcome to Waveney Class's weekly newsletter. In it you will find out what your child has been learning about in Reception and Nursery during the week. We will also provide you with home learning activities which should be done each week. These tasks will enhance and support your child's learning.

We have had a very busy week in Waveney Class. The children have settled in to the class and have been making new friends.



The theme this half term is Nursery Rhymes. We aim to learn at least one new nursery rhyme every week. It is essential that every child develops a sense of rhyme and rhythm as a basis for learning to read and write. Our rhyme this week was **Hickory Dickory Dock**. We drew tall clocks with a mouse running up it. Some of them were very colourful! Most children could tell me the first sound in the word 'mouse', some could write the letter, and a few children wrote some of the dominant sounds in the words 'mouse' and 'clock'. We made pictures of clocks and mice by cutting and sticking. We also talked about up and down and made the movements with a mouse. This will help with number and letter formation.

We have learnt all about number 1 in a wider context. We discussed units of measure - 1 gram, 1 kilo, 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. We looked at a clock showing 1 o'clock. We were introduced to a sphere, which has 1 curved surface. We were very excited to discover that Harry is 1 metre tall!

In phonics, Reception have been using the first book in the Bug Club scheme. A Wet Walk. They made sounds with their voices, including animal sounds, and learnt that sounds are made in their voice box. They listened to words said in a 'robot voice', e.g. h-a-t to find clothes to dress a toy.

We have introduced our Golden Rules, which are **Do listen to people. Do be gentle. Do be kind and helpful. Do work hard. Do be honest.** It would help if you can praise your child when you see them doing these things at home. We also looked at being kind using the book Kindness Rules.



The Nursery children have been settling in and learning the routines. They sang Hickory Dickory Dock and some other rhymes (Wind the Bobbin Up, Open Them Close Them, and 12345 Once I Caught a Fish Alive). They have also learnt the Goodbye Song. They enjoyed playing with cars, trains, Mobilo and Duplo.



Each week we will choose a Star of the Week who will be awarded a certificate. Well done to **Dawson** who is Waveney Class's first Star of the week this week! He has worked hard and has been really kind and helpful. Well done, Dawson!

PLEASE NOTE!

- If you have any **forms** (e.g. Tapestry permission) not yet completed or handed in, please could you do this by next Wednesday.
- Re. **planned absence** from school – If you are planning on taking your child out of school for a planned event, please contact Mrs Drax in the office to fill in a form to attach to your child's records. If this is a medical appointment, please give a copy of the appointment letter / email to Mrs Drax.
- If your child requires **medication** to be given in school, you will need to go to the office to hand it in and complete the permission form in order for us to be able to give it to him/her.
- Can you make sure your child brings a coat every day, just in case the weather turns colder during the day.

Thank you for your support with these.

Have a lovely weekend! The Early Years Team

HOME LEARNING

NURSERY Draw or paint a picture of mummy or daddy.

RECEPTION Draw a picture of your family. Ask mummy or daddy to write down what you tell them about your family in your own words. Write your name on the paper.