



Spring Grove Primary School

Reception Homework and News

Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parents and carers,

This week began with an exciting discovery! The children found a crashed UFO in our sand area outside and were keen to investigate, they carefully observed the spaceship and thought about what they should do. They decided not to touch the crashed space craft and instead wrote a note to Mrs Colley asking what she thought they should do. When the children came back from lunch, the UFO had mysteriously vanished! This got them thinking about how to share the unusual event with the rest of the school. Finally, they decided to create their own newspaper article all about it. We looked at some example newspapers and identified the main features of a newspaper. Then we had a go at writing our own short article as a class before all the children did one independently. They used their phonic sounds to support writing about the key events and some of the children came up with really catchy headlines, which they wrote with support.

The next day, the children received a letter from the aliens thanking them for not disturbing their space craft in the sand area. They asked for help building a new space craft and the children got to work right away! We noticed that many of the shapes we were using to build the new spaceship were 3D shapes that we had learnt about during the Autumn term. The children enjoyed naming the shapes they could recall as well as being reminded of the ones they couldn't.

Finally, the children have been learning more about our solar system and the planets within it and are making a mini version using paper-mache. They have been keen to learn more about each planet before making it to hang in the classroom so we will continue to learn more about each planet next week.

During our maths meetings this week, we have been consolidating many of the skills that were covered during the Autumn term. We have been counting out different amounts from a group, recognising and writing numbers 1-10 and recalling number facts. Some children have accept our challenge and thought about how we can use our number bond knowledge to solve simple problems- number bonds can be very useful!

I hope you have all enjoyed using Mathletics at home, please let me know if you have had any issues logging in so I can support you.

Ideas to support your child at home-

- The children have been given individual Reading Eggs login details to help build reading skills at home. Please visit www.readingeggs.co.uk and login using the given information. The login cards have been stuck into your child's reading record.
- Please take a look at Google Classroom to find this week's Word Time videos.

Have a fantastic weekend

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