



Spring Grove Primary School

Year One Homework and News

Friday 25th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone that was able to attend parents' evening this week, it was great to have the opportunity to meet with you all, apologies to those who had experienced being disconnected mid-way through the appointment- technology is great when it works! I was pleased to share with you how hard the children have been working since September especially since Year One have missed a lot of their Early Years education, which helps with laying the foundation to their education, due to the COVID pandemic.

This week, there has been a focus in class to encourage the children to apply their phonics knowledge to read a series of real and made-up words, just like they would be expected to do in the upcoming phonics check that nationally all children are expected to partake at the end of Year One. If you would like any further advice how you can support your child to learn and apply their phonics whilst reading please do come and see me.

With all the lovely weather we have had this week it has been wonderful to be able to have taken the opportunity to be outside as much as possible. As a result, the children have been busy using the outside role play, dressing up as Kings, Queens and even fairies, and have been able to consolidate our maths learning using the sand and water areas. Not only have the children thoroughly enjoyed the outside area but it has given them opportunities to apply the topic vocabulary we have been learning whilst playing.

In English, we have started learning about Queen Victoria and have been busy writing a booklet all about her life. The children have shown great perseverance and had lots of fun working out how old Queen Victoria was when she died! Also, we have been comparing her to Queen Elizabeth II- our current Queen. Next week, we will continue with our mini biographies about Queen Victoria and will be learning about her husband, Prince Albert, her children and her favourite castle. At home to support your child's learning you may want to begin your own research to support writing the next part of our mini biographies.

In Maths, we have been learning to accurately measure height and length using both standard and non-standard units of measure. An example of a non-standard unit of measure would be using foot steeps to measure the length of a carpet whereas a standard unit of measure would be to use a ruler to measure the length of the carpet. We have learnt that height is a vertical measurement and length is a horizontal measurement. At home to support your child's learning you may wish to reinforce these two definitions by identifying them on different objects.

We hope that you have a great weekend and if you have any questions that you may wish to ask then please talk to us at the end of the school day or email: hambrier@springgrove.hounslow.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

The Year One team

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