



Spring Grove Primary School

Reception Homework and News

Friday 25th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children have been looking outside for inspiration for learning and have been observing the changing weather. We talked about the season we are in and the weather we are experiencing every morning as part of our maths meeting, and more recently, the children have been describing the changes they have seen. We explained that Autumn is coming to an end and Winter will be starting at the beginning of next month. The children talked about how the weather had changed since they started school and now they wear coats, and sometimes gloves, hats and scarves to school to keep warm. We encouraged the children to cut out and sort pictures of various clothing as we discussed when we would wear them and why.

The children really enjoyed looking at pictures of winter scenes from different places and commenting on what colours they could see. We talked about what a silhouette is and found lots of tree silhouettes against a colourful winter sky in photographs. We helped the children create their own winter scene using PVA glue and coloured tissue paper for the background, then adding ripped bits of black paper to create a tree. When all the children have made one we will create a display to show off that they have done!

In maths, the children have been quickly recalling bonds to 5 and 6. We have been encouraging the children to begin explaining how they know a five or tens frame shows an amount, encouraging them to say which numbers they can see and modelling the use of language 'altogether'. We are not yet writing or recording equations, but instead focussing on encouraging embedded understanding of the composition of number that the children can use to begin simple problem solving.

The children have been working hard practising their Christmas play and are excited to see you all at their performance on Wednesday 7th December. We will aim to start at 9.15 and hope to see you all there!

Ideas to support your child at home-

- Thank you to those who have brought in their costumes already. We request that we have all costumes in by the 28th November to ensure we are ready for the dress rehearsal to the school. If you have any questions about a costume, please do not hesitate to ask.
- Please continue to encourage your child to read to you and record comments on their progress in their reading record. It is lovely to see how they are getting on at home!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Kotecha and Miss Manlow ☺

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