



## Spring Grove Primary School

### Reception Homework and News

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have continued learning about fruit and vegetables after being inspired by the book, *Oliver's Vegetables*. The children began with a vegetable quiz and tried to decipher and sort vegetables and fruits. We explained that the technical differentiation was that fruit had a seed or seeds and this really helped the children with their sorting. We encouraged the children to cut and stick images of various fruit and vegetables, some known and others less common, into the right group. The whole class have been working on their cutting skills and working hard to cut safely and accurately.

During our maths meetings, we have been looking at dice and talking about the possible totals we can roll with one, and then two dice. This led us on to combining multiple amounts and recording the total using numerals to represent the quantity. The class have been working on using the symbols + and = to record equations as a whole group, as well as in smaller groups or in pairs. This abstract way of mathematical recording has proven tricky, so we will continue to develop our understanding throughout the rest of this half term. Also, the children drew round and cut out their footprint which they used as a marker to find objects that were longer than and shorter than their foot. The children then enjoyed ordering their paper footprints from longest to shortest. This activity sparked a lot of great mathematical talk and the use of measure specific language between the children.

In computing, the children have been building their skills to use different hardware, such as the keyboard and mouse, and are getting more proficient at logging in and selecting their desired program. This week, we supported the children to use Reading Eggs, which they all very much enjoyed. You can access Reading Eggs from home using the login details provided earlier in the year.

Ideas to support your child at home-

- Can your child practise some cutting at home? In school, we have been cutting straight and wavy lines, zigzags and some images from magazines and newspapers. Neat and accurate cutting is an essential skill for the children to have as they move through school and we spend lots of time in Reception Class perfecting it. We would love to see some of your cutting from home!
- Can your child use a dice to roll and record totals? What is the highest possible score? What is the lowest? Can they use + and = when recording?

Thank you to those parents who were able to join Mrs Gratton and Miss Manlow for the Read Write Inc Workshop this week, we hope you find it useful. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to ask!

For any parents who were unable to attend, the Powerpoint can be found on Google Classroom.

Enjoy your weekend!

Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Kotecha and Miss Manlow ☺

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