

Primary 1 – General Overview of Learning

Literacy:

This year, we have been learning the following sounds in class:

s a t i p n c k

e h r m d g o u

oo y x ch sh th qu

ow oi ue er ar f b ai j oa ie

ee or z w ng v

If you wish you can practise these at home in the following ways:

- Make flashcards for each letter to blend simple words such as, pin, at, sat.
- Test their knowledge of the individual sounds.
- Demonstrate each sound's action. (There is a free Jolly Phonics app which you may find useful!)
- Find items at home which begin with the letter sounds.
- **Practise forming the sounds correctly using different materials such as, play dough, colouringpens, shaving foam, sand.**
- Make flashcards for each letter to blend simple cvcc and ccvc words such as tent, bump, flat, stop.
- Test their knowledge of the individual digraphs, e.g. ai,oa,ie.
- Find items at home which begin with/contain the letter sounds.
- **Practise forming the sounds correctly using different materials such as, play dough, colouringpens, shaving foam, sand. (you can find these sheets on twinkl, which is free to use at the moment)**
- Find words in a storybook beginning with each sound.
- Play I-Spy with each sound.
- Look for tricky words in books/newspapers/magazines/public signs etc.

Maths:

This term, the children have been working on addition and subtraction to 10 in class. You can support their learning in the following ways at home:

- Rote counting to 100 forwards and backwards.

- Practice counting forwards and backwards from any given number within 30 forwards and 20 backwards.
- Practise counting groups of objects up to 20 and ask the children to form groups of objects up to 20, e.g. 3 pencils, 15 apples.
- Practise adding sets of objects together (up to a total of 10).
- **Practise forming numbers correctly using different materials such as, play dough, colouring pens, shaving foam, sand. (Please refer to the previous blog for the correct number formation.)**
- Encourage quick recall of addition facts to 10 by regularly asking simple adding sums.
- Addition games on the computer/tablet.
- <http://www.ictgames.com/funkyMummy/index.html>
- Practise subtracting sets of objects (within 10).
- Subtraction games on the computer, e.g. Post Sorting on the Topmarks website. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=PostSortingcalculationsv2>

Please limit activities to between 5 and 10 minutes to maintain interest and focus, and have fun!

Here is a link to the number and letter formation sheets:

[Letter Formation Sheet](#)

[Number Formation Sheet](#)

Other Curricular Areas

In context this term, we have been focusing on “people who help us”

Twinkl have some fantastic resources linked to people who help us, including PowerPoints, work sheets and lesson ideas.

Here are some additional things you could do:

- Role play and imaginative play linked to people who help us- e.g. “doctors” or “teachers”
- Going for a walk and looking for businesses who help people
- Reading books about people who help us
- When shopping, looking out for the technology that shop keepers use in their jobs
- Discuss goals for the future, e.g. “what I want to be when I grow up”