



Weekly Review



7th November 2014

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I hope you all had a lovely half term. It has been great to see the children again and to see them so eager to start back at school. We have had a great week focusing on fireworks and Bonfire Night and we have used this theme as inspiration for lots of our learning. The children have visited the book fair in the school entrance hall this week and thoroughly enjoyed looking at the books and sharing them with their friends. Please don't forget to pop by after school one day before Tuesday, 11th November!

Have a fantastic weekend!

Read Write Inc

The children have continued to learn a new letter sound each day and are developing the skill of blending and decoding words with the support of 'Fred'. The children have been working hard to form all letters with the correct formation and continue to repeat the handwriting rhyme as they enjoy writing on white boards. If you wish to support your child at home please refer to the set 1 speed sounds sheet that I sent home at the end of last half term.



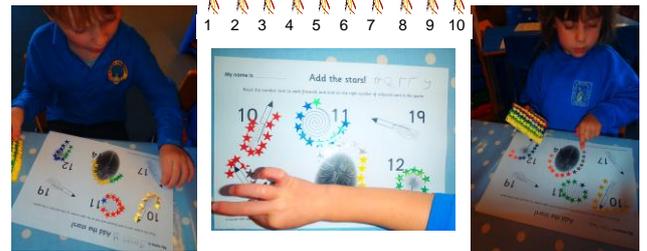
Understanding the World

We have focused on Firework and Bonfire night this week. The children have been told a simplified version of the story 'The Gunpowder Plot'. We talked about King James and how some people did not like him, including Guy Fawkes; this is why they tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament, while he was there. The children watched some firework displays that were accompanied by music on You Tube and used this as inspiration for firework pictures.

Mathematics

The focus has been on number recognition and counting this week. The children learnt a firework song (to the tune of 10 green bottles) to help them count backwards:

10 little fireworks standing in a row
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When 1 little firework decides it's time to go
10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, **BLAST OFF!**
There'll be 9 little fireworks standing in a row...



Class Assembly!

This week the children have been working hard to listen to their friends, use clear and loud voices and take turns to speak as we rehearse for our Class Assembly next Friday. The children are very excited and have thoroughly enjoyed creating props and animal masks in preparation for the performance. Please refer to the previous letter regarding your child's costumes/clothing that is required for next week.

This week's number of the week is

8

Please help your child practise writing the number eight on the sheet in your child's plastic folder.

Notices

- **Book Fair**- 5th - 11th November
- **School photographs**- 13th November
- **Class Assembly & Children in Need 'Be a Hero!'** 14th November
- **Class Acorn Christmas Play**- 12th December

Best wishes
Miss Bates and Selina

Please cut off this slip, sign and return to school on Monday

Signed: _____ Child's name: _____