



Russet Class Newsletter 5.2.18



Thank You...

To those of you who were able to visit the Book Fair on Friday last week. If you were unable to visit, it will also be out on Tuesday after school this week, up until 5:30. The children enjoyed making a visit as a class on Friday, and we were really impressed with how tidy they left the books after their browsing session. Well done, Russet Class!



Parent Consultations

I am looking forward to sharing your child's successes during your parent consultation appointments. We will also discuss the next steps with regard to your child's learning, sharing suitable targets for them to work on. Please wait in the hall, where I will collect you at the ten minute allocated intervals. All children will have a collection of work in the hall for you to look through. Feel free to arrive early so you have plenty of time to look at this.



Training Session

Just to let you know, I will be out of school on Thursday, taking part in an Early Years conference and training session. Miss France and Miss Freed will be covering Russet Class for the day. As already mentioned on an earlier letter, there will be **no library club** this week, so please remember to collect children at the usual home time on Thursday.



Our Learning this Week

This week we will introduce the sounds of ear, air, and ure to Year R, for example, in fear, hair and pure. The actions are not in pictorial form for the Sound Books, but we will still send home the letter tiles, so please ensure these are in school on Wednesday to be updated. To help describe the actions - ear we gently pull on our ear; air we wave our fingers in the air, and ure we waft our noses for the word manure. The children love this one! In English we will link our writing with our new topic area of Florence Nightingale. You may like to build in a visit to the Florence Nightingale Museum in London during the half term break, hopping on the train to Waterloo. We will be continuing with this learning after the half term break, so it will definitely be a useful trip for your child. You could also use the website: http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/florence_nightingale/ In maths we will continue to use and apply numbers to embed the children's knowledge of place value. Year 1 will be developing a mastery of numbers to 50 or 100 and beyond as able, along with working on gaining confidence with reading worded numbers, too. They will also continue to use place value resources to help with their grasp of hundreds, tens and ones.



A useful on line game which the children are familiar with can be found at:

http://www.ictgames.com/sharkNumbers/sharkNumbers_v5.html

and for spelling <http://www.ictgames.com/lwc.html>

Year R will embed their knowledge of numbers to 20 and beyond as able. We will also be estimating amounts of items, using the language of more or less to compare amounts. Feel free to join in at home, for example estimating amounts of lego bricks they can pick up compared to how many you can hold. Sweets in a jar is also a good one for estimating!

Our Act of Worship theme for this week is based on beginning to find out about the meaning of Lent, which begins on 14th February in half term. We will also have a visit from The Family Trust later in the week, during one of our worship sessions.



We finish school at the usual time of 3:15 on Friday.

The end of this term marks the fact that we are officially half way through the year; which always amazes us in how quickly the time passes. We wish you all a happy half term.