



Russet Class Newsletter 1.10.18



School Value Class Celebration Board



A big well done goes to the following children for displaying our school values: William for being helpful when clearly explaining to a Year R friend how to put a painting apron on. Robyn, Eloise and Abigail for demonstrating the value of fairness by taking turns with sharing a tiara. Freya for the values of friendship and helpfulness when a Year R friend was a little unsure on the climbing apparatus. Last but not least, well done to Harris for demonstrating the value of respect with his manners and a firm awareness of our rules.

Balanceability Session

On Monday we are looking forward to welcoming some leaders from a cycling group into school to work with the children in Russet Class. To find out more, feel free to visit:

<https://www.balanceability.com/>



We are sure the children will come home and tell you all about their Balanceability session!

Vegetable Soup Plea!

This week we will be making harvest soup with the children. If you are happy to donate by sending in vegetables from home, it will be great to add to our cooking pot. We'll put the pot out in the classroom so you can see what we may be short of! Thank you. ☺



Harvest Service

Just a reminder that our Harvest Service takes place on Friday at 9:15 in the St Margaret's church. All are welcome to attend; even wider family members if they want to come and join in, too. Russet children will be performing a song and sharing some artwork. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Please don't panic if you see us heading over to the church on Wednesday afternoon - we will be taking part in a whole school rehearsal. Harvest donations can be sent into school this week ready for our whole school collection.



Our Learning this Week

Year R children will now work on the letter sounds of i, n, m, d; thinking about words which start with these sounds (igloo, nut, mum and dad as examples). As last week, any practical sorting or I Spy games at home with these sounds will be really useful. We will be sending home a Sounds Book this week, which can be used to build words using velcro letter cards. These books will need returning each Wednesday so we can update them with the sounds each week. In the past, a parent helper has donated some time to help prepare this resource. Please come and find Miss France or myself if you are able to offer 45 minutes of your time on a weekly basis. Year 1 children will continue over-learning the trickier vowel phonemes, along with focusing on reading real and nonsense words. In English we will continue to work on poetry, making links with autumn and harvest time. Year R children will be writing labels using their letter sound knowledge, and Year 1 children will be writing descriptive phrases to create their own poetry. In maths we will be looking at numerals on number lines and number tracks, and identifying errors within a number sequence. Our school has a large focus on developing the children's reasoning skills from an early age, so we will be getting the children to explain how they know something is wrong, drawing on the language of more, fewer, less, in between. To help with number formation, you may like to access: <http://www.doorwayonline.org.uk/literacy/letterformation/>



Our worship theme this week is focused on how we can show thanks at Harvest time. We will visit the church to talk about how Christians give thanks, along with looking for signs of autumn in the churchyard, giving thanks for God's creation of the world.

