



Elm Class Update - Week 5

Autumn 1

Dear parents and carers,

In Elm class we are thinking about the change in the seasons. We would be grateful if children could collect some Autumn treasures to bring into class and place in our sensory tray. We will then use these treasures for sorting activities and to make Autumn Crowns, arm bands or bracelets. Autumnal treasures may include different coloured/size/shaped leaves, red, green, yellow, orange and brown. Interesting natural objects such as seeds cases, flowers that have fallen (not picked) from late flowering flowers. Dead headed flowers with interesting sculptural shapes the list is endless. You may like to take a walk in a local woodland or park to see what treasures you can find. Take a little bag and off you go 😊

Thank you to the families that have returned their child's slip ready for Cinema evening on Tuesday from 5 - 6.45pm. These evenings are usually very well attended and the children have lots of fun, in the hall watching the big screen with treats and friends.

Parent/carers are invited to come into school on Friday from 9-9.30 as part of our schools Family Friday initiative. One adult may accompany your child into class and partake in the planned activity. This Friday families will help their child to design their own bespoke Christmas cards.

We hope you can make it.

Just to share with families that Reception children in Elm class will not be going over to church on Wednesday morning (The 6th of Oct). Year 1 children will attend with the year 1 cohort. Reception children will begin attending church after half term.

Thank you to the families that have brought wellies into school. If your child still hasn't then don't worry there's still time. Please try to bring a pair into school as soon as possible, Autumn is upon us and the weather will begin to turn. You may also like to consider putting a warm hat, scarf and mittens on your child on these colder mornings. We suggest **mittens** rather than gloves as they are much easier for children to put on all by themselves.

Play matters in Elm class - interests this week have ranged from Daisy and Pyper making homemade playdough in the malleable area using cups to measure ingredients to Cassy drawing her family in the Writers Workshop. We will continue to look, listen and note more interests that follow this week 😊

Areas of Learning

Literacy

Reception

Continue to attempt to label family photos with support.

Continue Sounds-Write Programme of work: Initial Code - Unit 1 **a i m s t** Week 4 and 5

Year 1

Attempt to write a caption during investigations especially on plans in the construction area.

To continue the Sounds-Write Journey into extended code daily with Miss Defty and year 1 cohort.

To begin the Sounds-Write guided / home reading journey with Ms Lilley.

Mathematics

Reception – Phase 1 'Just like me'.

This week mathematical learning intentions include - Sorting

For the children to:

*Learn that collections of objects can be sorted into sets. Based on attributes such as colour size or shape.

*Consider what is the same about all the objects in one set and how they are different in other sets.

*Understand that the same collection of objects can be sorted in different ways.

Year 1

Week 5 – Block 2- Number- Addition & subtraction

For the children to:

*Be introduced to the part -whole model.

*Be introduced to the addition

symbol for the first time.

*Use their knowledge of number

sentences to create addition fact families.

*Use knowledge of addition and

partitioning to identify bonds within 10

Warmest regards, **Ms Lilley**