



Bumblebee Class Newsletter

Monday 5th - Friday 9th October



Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week of learning and Bumblebee adventures.

Maths

In maths this week, we focused on practising our counting skills in a range of activities.

- Pegging leaves on a washing line, matching the quantity to the correct numeral to ten.
- Incey Wincey Spider maths. The children had to roll a dice and count the correct number of steps before reaching the top of the drainpipe.
- Each morning, we count how many children are in school.
- Counting to ten and back on our fingers.

Phonics

This week we learnt the following sounds in our daily phonics lessons:

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I am so proud of Bumblebee children. We have nearly learnt all of the set one sounds – incredible learning from Bumblebees – well done! Bumblebees have been enjoying many ‘Fred Talk’ games, including ‘Fred Says’ and Fred’s basket. Their oral blending skills are improving well and many children are now beginning to read their first CVC words with greater independence.

Physical Development

Bumblebee children are enjoying our Nature Garden and top court every afternoon. We have been practising some gross motor skills on the skateboards and trikes, as well as digging tunnels in our sand pit. Lots of children have chosen to use some sports equipment, such as; bats and balls, balance boards and skipping ropes to practise their core strength and co-ordination. Every day, we continue to practise cutting our food at lunch time with our knives and forks, putting on our coats, taking off jumpers and zipping up coats. Please continue to support your child with learning how to do these important life skills.

In our PE lessons this half term we have been learning:

- How to find a safe space,
- To look where we are going when moving around,
- Basic exercises to strengthen our core and shoulders
- Chasing games, such as; ‘Stuck in the Mud’ and ‘Chasing Nemo’.

St. Peter's Church Visit

On Wednesday 7th October, we visited St. Peter's Church. Reverend Amber taught us a couple of songs and read the children the Creation story from her Bible. We then played a couple of games of 'Duck, Duck, Goose' together before singing the hokey Cokey song.

Many children told me yesterday how much they enjoyed their visit to St. Peter's Church. We are looking forward to retruning there next **Friday 16th October at 09:30 for our school Harvest Church service.**



Dates for Next Week

Monday 12th October

Bumblebee Class visit to the school library. Please make sure your child's library book is in their book bag so they can swap it for another book today.

Friday 16th October

Harvest Church service at St. Peter's Church, starting at 9:30am

PE with Fisher-Smith

Reading tasks changed – new book (for those children who are ready) and the sounds of the week.

Key dates to be aware of:

- Friday 16th October Harvest Service at 9.30am. Bumblebee Class will be attending the service and will perform a short poem, 'Leaves are Falling'.
- Tuesday 20th October Parents Evening
- Wednesday 21st October Parents Evening
- Monday 26th October – Half Term

Kind regards,

Miss Fisher-Smith
Bumblebee Class Teacher