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Reception Newsletter – 13th July 2018

Language

Last week in our writing we wrote shape poems about different sports. We thought about what we knew about the sport and then wrote a poem that included 'star words'. The children had to use their writing checklists to self-assess their work to make sure they had remembered all of their writing targets. The children were very creative when writing their poems and used lots of exciting vocabulary! This week we have read a book called 'Football Skills'. The children then enjoyed making mind maps about what they already know about football. The children then wrote instructions about how to play football. They have also looked at the different football kits from the World Cup teams and have written sentences to describe them.

Maths

Our maths work last week involved solving problems involving measures. The children thought about what tools they would use to measure different lengths and height. The children then used cubes and hands to measure and order a range of different lengths. We also helped the England football team to pack their cases for their next World Cup game. We weighed objects using cubes and made sure that we did not take anything that was heavier than 20 cubes. Later in the week we focused on solving time problems. This week we have been practising counting on and back to solve number problems and also exploring 2d and 3d shapes.

Spellings

Our final set of spellings for this half term is listed below. We will be assessing the children on their ability to spell these words in the next couple of weeks and we will then send home their scores. We are also continuing to assess spellings from tests that have taken place throughout the year. Our current spellings are:

they, all, are, my, let, will, this, them, that, went

Please continue to practise these at home.

New Children

Over the last two weeks we have enjoyed welcoming our new Reception children (September intake) into the classroom to spend some time with us. We were delighted with how well the children interacted with our visitors and made them feel so comfortable and happy. They led tours of the classroom and helped the children with their chosen activities. They were wonderful role models and we were very proud of them!

Swap Over

The children will have swap over morning on Monday 16th July and will be spending time with their new Year One teachers in their new classroom. The children will complete exciting activities that will help them to settle in to their new class ready for September.

Head Lice

There have been a repeated cases of head lice. Please ensure you check your child's hair thoroughly and frequently.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Reception Team