

Week Beginning **19.9.22**

Our Topic is...

Who am I?

We are really proud of how well the children have settled into school so far. We have all had a fantastic week of getting to know the children in all three classes. Thank you so much for all of your ongoing support! 😊

Next week, we will be learning about...

The classroom, the school, our teachers and our friends!

PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY

Topic: We will talk about the different areas of our classroom and the rules and routines in these areas. We will specifically be focusing on our motto; **you choose it, you use it, you put it away** as we explore different areas of the classroom in more detail. We will go on a tour of the school and also familiarise ourselves with our lunchtime routine later in the week. We will be playing lots of games to get to know the names of our new friends, begin sharing our All About Me books and create self-portraits of ourselves.

Phonics: We will be listening to lots of different sounds we hear around us everyday. Tuning in to these sounds is a great foundation for when we learn the sounds withing words. We will also be learning about rhyme and finding words which rhyme.

Maths: We will be singing lots of different number songs and counting how many children there are in our class each day.

Class '**Pebble Points**': We will be introducing our class reward system next week. Your children will be earning 'Pebble Points' by following the Golden Rules and trying their best while at school. The 'Pebbles' they earn will be put into a jar and once the jar is full, the whole class will get a group reward which the children choose themselves. In the past the rewards have included playing class games such as parachute on the playground, duck duck goose, having a 10 minute dance party in the classroom etc.

How you could help your child:

- Use the phrase **you choose it, you use it, you put it away** at home when the children are playing and tidying up.
- If your child is having a hot school dinner, explore the school menu with your child so that they know what options they have for school lunch on the day they are having lunch at school.
- Read rhyming books with your child and think of other words which could have been used because they also rhyme. Discuss how "**Rhyme is when 2 or more words have the same end sound.**"
- Sing different number songs at home e.g. '1,2,3,4,5...once I caught a fish alive', '5 little men in a flying saucer' or '5 currant buns in a baker shop'.

Reminders

- Please send in your child's book bag and a water bottle (*and sun hat weather dependent*) with your child every day. Please also send in a pair of wellies to keep at school and a set of spare clothes if your child is prone to accidents or loves the water tray!
- If you have not yet sent an **All About Me** book in with your child, please make sure you do so as soon as possible – every child will need one in school over the next few weeks.

Thank you 😊 The Foundation Stage Team