



Year 1 Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: 20th March 2017

Dear Parents

In assembly this week, Mrs Harries talked about the origins of Mothering Sunday and talked with the children about how special our mothers are and how important it is to remember to thank them, with the help of the Little Miss characters. Bird Family meetings focused on the important theme of safety, both indoors and out.

Literacy

- Mr Fisher's literacy group learnt about the 'u-e' (huge brute) grapheme and words which contain it. Written work focused around the book 'Haircut' in which the children had to write about different types of hairstyles, with an emphasis on using adjectives.
- Mrs Wilson's group have learnt the new grapheme 'oa' (goat in the boat) and wrote "What am I?" riddles about various 'oa' words.
- Mr Fereday's literacy group have learnt the 'i-e' (nice smile) grapheme and have focused on using a variety of 'i-e' in context in a sentence. The children then read a story entitled 'Elvis the elf' and had to write an advertisement, about him being a handyman to hire, to be posted about town. The children wrote about what jobs Elvis could do and other traits he possessed.

Numeracy

- The children have been learning how to measure accurately using various tools, including 30cm rulers, meter sticks and trundle wheels. They have had fun measuring a variety of different objects and have also used the knowledge gained to estimate lengths before measuring accurately. There has been a particular focus on lining up the 0cm of the ruler with the end of the object being measured before reading the measurement.

Other lessons and activities

- In topic, the children learnt about forms of Hindu Gods and some of the associated stories. The children then had a go at drawing some of these Gods and recorded some information about them.
- In computing, some of the children finished off their digital booklets using the iPads, while others had a go at using the desktop computers to create Mehndi Indian artwork on a digital hand! The children also learnt how to save their work to their own personal folder, navigating the computer files carefully to do so.
- In art, the children continued their Goblin racer artwork and also worked on a special piece of artwork to go home for this Sunday!

Over the weekend your child might like to:

- Have a go using the 'Ruler Tool' on ActiveLearn and try measuring the various items you can drag onto the screen.

- Try the 'measuring at the vets' game using the following link: <http://www.iboard.co.uk/iwb/At-the-Vets-Measuring-471> - which the children have enjoyed at school this week and would welcome your help to have a go at home.
- Go around your house and have a go at measuring 10 items accurately recording your findings in your home activity book. Can you order them shortest to longest?
- Complete the handwriting and spelling tasks set by the literacy teachers.

We are gathering quite a lot of lost property in Pre Prep! This will be displayed on benches outside the Pre Prep on Monday. We try to return named items but we have a lot of unnamed items still with us. If you think you may be missing an item of clothing, do please come and have a look.

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your children.

With very best wishes from Mrs Wilson, Mr Fisher, Mr Fereday and Mrs Harries

Melanie Harries