



YEAR 1 Woodpeckers

Class Teacher/s: Mrs Chow (Monday-Wednesday) Mrs Smith (Thursday and Friday)

Learning Support Assistant/s: Mrs Coxeter (Monday-Thursday) Mrs Reilly (Friday)

Important diary dates and reminders

Back to school – Monday 13th April

Class photos – Wednesday 15th April

Housekeeping

We have had a few reports of nits and there does seem to be a lot of itchy heads! Please can everyone check their children's hair over the Easter break and treat if necessary. It would be great to tackle this alongside the break. Thank you for your support with this.

Class update

It was really lovely to catch up with you at parents evening. The Woodpeckers are an absolute pleasure to teach and we are so pleased with their amazing progress. It was a pleasure to share their achievements with you.

This week in English we completed a short poetry unit. The children have written poems this week linked to Spring and their senses. They've also explored repetition in poetry and they've had a go at using this. On Thursday the Woodpeckers performed their poems and used expression whilst reading



In maths we have completed all the units for the spring term so we have been consolidating our learning. This week we have revised doubles, halves and number bonds to 10 and 20. This is key mathematical knowledge so please do revise at home as well.

Homework/ Reading

Phonics

The phonics we have been covering this week follows on from this Friday note. Please keep up the reading at home over the Easter break – a visit to the library is always a lovely holiday activity! 😊 We have been assessing the children this week and we will share their progress in their reading records during the first week back.



Spellings

I think the Woodpeckers have earned a break from spellings 😊 If you would like to practise then please see the list below of the main spellings that we focus on in year one.

Phase 2 Tricky Words	Phase 3 Tricky Words	Phase 4 Tricky Words	Phase 5 Tricky Words
the	you	said	oh
to	they	like	could
I	all	do	their
no	are	come	people
go	my	there	Mr
into	her	little	Mrs
	he	out	looked
	she	have	called
	we	so	asked
	me	some	
	be	were	
	was	one	
		when	
		what	

Optional Easter Homework



It would be lovely if the children could do a bit of writing over the Easter break. We'd love to see either an Easter Holiday summary or an Easter Holiday diary. They can be as creative as they like alongside this – pictures, drawings, sticking! The really lovely thing to see would be some writing though – even if it's just a few sentences. This is completely optional but anyone that takes part can have a smelly sticker and some house points when they bring it in after Easter. Please bring them in on Thursday 16th April or Friday 17th April for sharing 😊



Wishing you all a lovely Easter break,

Mrs Smith and Mrs Chow



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Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

<p>Phonemes we have been covering this week in school -</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">ch</p> <p>(as in chef /sh/ and as in school /c/)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ze</p> <p>(as in freeze)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">a</p> <p>(as in father /ar/, wasp /o/, water /or/ and baking /ai/)</p>

We have been reading and writing words. Can you spot this week's phonemes?

School chemist echo stomach chef parachute freeze breeze sneeze squeeze snooze bronze small water always amazing paper later celebrate astronaut playful pudding octopus picture adventure creature feature amazing successful musical triumphant sweeping shrieking snowy whispering gigantic

We have been reading sentences. Can you spot any tricky words?

The children shriek as they chase each other through the school!

The loud sneeze woke me up from my snooze!

I use salt and water when I am baking pizza.

I had a colourful caterpillar that turned into a butterfly.

I can stare at a bear and squeeze cheese.