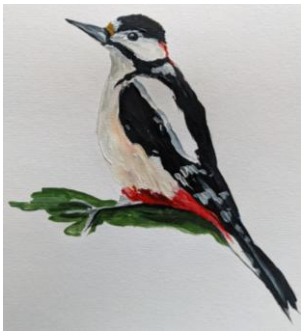


YEAR 1 Woodpeckers

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

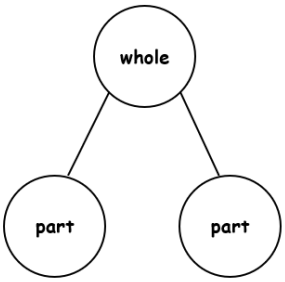
Important diary dates and reminders

19th October to 30th October – Half Term

Class update

In English this week we have begun our next unit using the text 'The Squirrels who Squabbled' to inspire our writing. We started by hearing and discussing the text before using our senses to describe a forest.

The part-whole model



In maths we have started the next unit 'Addition and Subtraction within 10'. We began by introducing and exploring the part-whole model that supports children learning addition and subtraction and then writing number sentences e.g., 3 + 2 = 5

Homework/ Reading

Please keep up the reading over the half term. It makes a huge difference when children read regularly.

During our phonics assessments the tricky words stood out as a weakness for some children. The tricky words that the children read are below. Please practise these over the half term. The children should not be sounding out these words but should know them by sight. Knowing these words really speeds up their reading and makes them more fluent readers. After half term we will be learning new tricky words so please do check that your children are secure with these ones. We will share the results of our phonics assessments when we manage parents evening!

was	are	like	there	one
you	sure	some	little	what
they	said	love	when	says
all	have	were	come	here

MP Christmas Card Competition! 🎄

We have been invited by Gregory Stafford, MP for Farnham and Bordon, to take part in his annual *Christmas Card Competition.* Pupils are encouraged to create a festive design to be featured on his official Christmas card; recipients of this card include Headteachers in the constituency, senior national political leaders, prominent members of our local community and His Majesty King Charles III. The winning design will feature on the front cover of the card, with those in second, third and forth place featuring elsewhere on the card.

If your child is interested in entering the competition, please hand their design into the school office by **Monday 2nd November.** On the reverse of the design please include: child's name, age and school.

If one of our pupils wins the competition, Gregory Stafford will visit our school in early December to congratulate the winner and present them with a special Christmas gift from the House of Commons.

We look forward to receiving your entries!



Have a wonderful half term!

Mrs Burrell and Mrs Chow