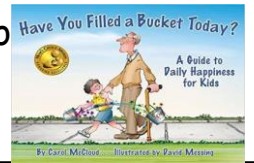


Reception Newsletter 9.10.20

We have been learning:

About being a good friend. We have been reading the story 'Have You Filled a Bucket Today?' by Carol McCloud which encourages the children to think about our 'invisible buckets' and ways we can be kind in order to fill each other's up.



Reading

Do not forget to read to your child every day and encourage them to practise their phonics by trying to identify the graphemes we have been learning and blend them together.

Whilst reading the story can your child guess what might happen at the end of the story?



Learning to read the sounds:

ck e u r

h b f ff

Learning to read the words:

and can a

the to

Maths I can compare amounts.

Resources: You need 2 bowls, different sized spoons, a selection of the following resources depending upon what you have available: building blocks, small world animals/ people, feathers.

Activity: Take turns with your child to 'grab' objects in fun ways and try and get the same amount in each bowl. Model grabbing some objects with your hands, elbows etc, *How can I work out how many I grabbed?*

Tip them out and count them aloud, placing each object back into the bowl. Now let your child have a go in the second bowl. Encourage them to try to grab the same amount.

Do you think there is the same amount in each bowl? Why/why not?

Explain if there isn't the same amount, that they must have grabbed a different amount, *Which group do you think has more/fewer objects in it? Why? Who grabbed the most/fewest? How do you know? Repeat using spoons, feet, and other exciting ways of grabbing objects, just to keep it fun and engaging!*

Our topic is dinosaurs.

We will be learning some of their names and lots of interesting facts about them.

We will be designing our own dinosaurs and helping to find a lost dinosaur.



Key vocabulary:

- Dinosaur
- Names of dinosaurs
- Herbivore - plant eater
- Carnivore - meat eater
- Extinct

Songs:

- Ten Little Dinosaurs
- Do the Dinsoaur Stomp
- I'm a Little Dinosaur
- 5 Dinosaurs.



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Books:

- Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs
- Tyrannosaurus Drip
- Ten Terrible Dinosaurs.

Also, a selection of fiction and non-fiction books

Ideas of things to do at home

- Use junk to make a model dinosaur; think about the features the child would want the dinosaur to have.

Once your child has completed this, please share the pictures on *Google Classroom* so we can share it with the rest of the class.

Possible visits for you and your child:

- Crystal Palace Park Dinosaurs
- The library



Phonics and Reading Workshop Packs

This workshop is available to watch on Google Classroom. Workshop packs with a range of activities and resources to use at home will be available for a donation of 50p. If you would like one, you can send the money or the request in an envelope with your child.