

Nursery

This week we have been exploring materials. We have been making magic potions, which the children tell me will make a unicorn appear in our playground! We have also been looking closely at the inside of a pumpkin, counting how many seeds we can see and chopping different kinds of fruit to make our own fruit salad. As part of this week's maths, the children have helped to sort out socks, finding matching pairs, sorting them according to whether they are long or short and using size vocabulary.



Reception

Welcome back! The children have returned to school with enthusiasm and a wonderful eagerness to learn. We have a fun-filled term planned. As a lot of the children are interested in transport, this term our learning will be based on "From Here to There" (using different modes of transport). A new overview will be sent home next week.

This week we have read the book 'Naughty Bus'. The children have enjoyed reading about his adventures and all the mischief he gets up to. We have written our own bus books, created collage pictures and recreated scenes from the book in our small world tray.

In Phonics we have started Phase 2 sounds. These are single letter sounds. This week we have learned s, a, t, i, m. We have practised writing these sounds, building words with the sounds and looking for the sounds in our names.

In Maths we have been working on 'one more' using numbers to 5. Please practise recognising numerals 1-5 with your child. Look at house numbers or car number plates on the way to school.

Please remember

- **All children now need a PE kit in school.** This should contain *black shorts or leggings, a purple school t-shirt or plain white t-shirt and a pair of plimsolls*. Please also remember that we encourage children to change independently for PE, so it is helpful if girls wear trousers on Thursdays rather than tights.
- Please ensure your child brings his/her diary and a water bottle (filled with water only) every day.
- Mrs Evans will be holding a Parents Information Session on Phonics on Tuesday 12th November at 9am. Mrs Evans will go through how we teach phonics, how phonics helps reading and writing as well as giving you some ideas of what you can do at home. It would be great to see you there.



This week, the children have also been working on their 'sharing' and 'cooperation' skills. Brilliant work, everyone!