



Foundation Stage News

St Francis Class

Week Beginning: 27/9/21

The children have had a great few weeks in school. This week we are reading 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will be having fun exploring this story. For example, building houses that are strong, acting out the story and sequencing the story.

In Maths we are working on sorting (i.e. how can these objects be sorted - by colour, size, shape?) We will also be matching objects. We will be talking about what makes them the same and what makes them different.

Thank you!

Thank you to the parents who have returned the 'Did you know...' slips. They have been added to your child's Learning Journal and it is great to see how your child is developing as a learner. We have included paper copies of these in your child's book bag as we are now sending this newsletter via email.

Top tips for successful reading at home:

- Limit distractions i.e. TV off!
- Find a time which is good for you and your child where you have time to listen
- Encourage them to use the pictures to tell the story. This is a very important skill.
- Can they spot any of the letter sounds we have been learning at school in the book title?
- Praise your child for having a go, make sure they realise how much you love to hear them read.

Also, try to find time to read your child a bedtime story. The most important part of reading is enjoyment, developing a love of books will turn them into successful readers

Please write a comment in your child's 'Reading Record' book when they have read with you. This helps us to know that their books need changing and also gives us an understanding of how they are getting on reading at home with you.



Thank you

Phonics

Alongside developing our listening skills in our Phonics sessions we have started to introduce letter sounds. We are focussing on the sound the letter makes, how we can write it correctly and the sound it makes in a word.

Last week we learnt the sounds:

s a t

This week we are learning the sounds:

p i n m d

Ask your child to tell you the sound and show you the action!

Please use this link to watch a video clip which may help you with how to 'say the sounds' if you are unsure:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQgizwvqNk>

A request!



Please could the children bring in a photo of themselves as a baby so we can discuss the changes that have occurred as they have grown! We will be using them as a display in class but we will return them to you. Please ensure that the photo is named.

Thank you