



# Foundation Stage News

## St Francis Class

**Week Beginning: 17/11/25**

We are continuing with our 'Journey' topic for the next few weeks.

This week we are reading the book 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. In the story, the character of Max travels to 'Wild Island' and becomes the ruler of the Wild Things! However, before long he decides he would rather be back home, safe and sound. We are going to have our own adventure where we will be going on a plane journey to visit 'Wild Island' ourselves!

Next week we are focussing on cars and forms of transport. Our book 'If I built a Car' by Chris Van Dusen will give us ideas to design our own 'dream car'.

In maths we are concentrating on how to represent numbers in different ways and we are learning about one more and one less.

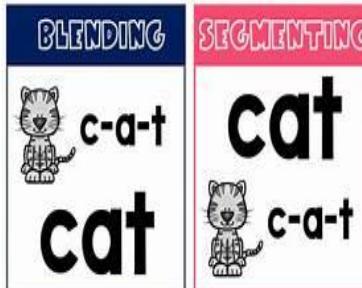


**The phonics we will be learning are:-**

*sh, th, ng, nk, ai, ee, igh, oa*

We are learning that two letters that make one sound are called 'digraphs'. We are also learning that three letters that make one sound are called 'trigraphs'.

We are working on writing the letters correctly and using them in our reading and writing.



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

[Phase 2 Pronunciation on Vimeo](#)

[Phase 3 Pronunciation \(vimeo.com\)](#)

**Superb homework!**

It has been great to see on 'Tapestry' all of the children's homework achievements.

It has also been a pleasure to see the children accessing an online phonics book through the ELS online library.

We will be continuing to set homework tasks on 'Tapestry' on a Wednesday to be due in on the following Wednesday.

If you need any help with helping your child to access their homework please come and see me.

*Thank you for supporting your child with this.*

**Reading reminder...**

Please continue to read with your child as much as possible - it really does make a huge difference. When you have read with your child please write a comment / sign in their reading record to show us that they have read at home with you, thank you.



This is how we write our letters at St Catherine's. We will be teaching these to your child in school.

