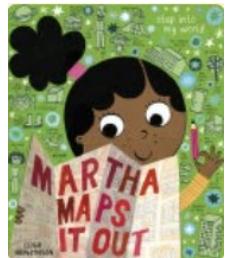


Reception News

Friday 3rd October

Our adventures in Reception this week have been based around the book 'Martha Maps It Out'. We have learnt about our community in Hagley, the cities of Birmingham and London, and features of the countries of the United Kingdom. We especially liked the idea of Nessie in Scotland! Some of us could share news about cities and countries in the UK that we had visited with our families, and things we had done there.



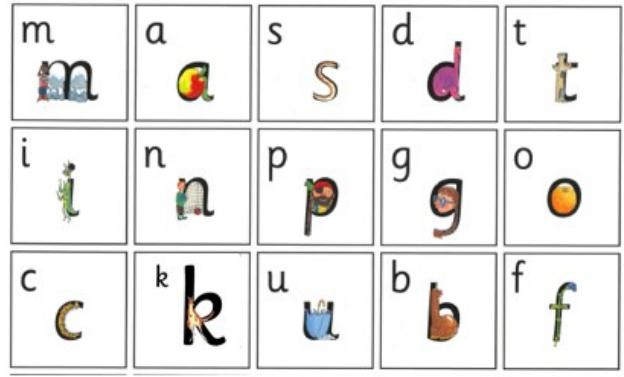
Maths



This week we have been talking about size, capacity and mass. We have looked at different containers and compared how much they hold, and have compared 2 different items in balance scales, using the words heavier and lighter. We have looked at small quantities of objects and used the words 'more than' and 'fewer than' to describe the difference between them.

Phonics

We have now had 3 weeks of learning single letter sounds, and practising these at home with your child will really help to ensure they are embedded. Your child should be saying the sound the letter makes, not the letter name. They may use the rhymes associated with each letter to help them remember the letter sound.



Sign of the week:

We have learnt lots of greetings this week.

Check out https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kcEj_MMHabo to see what we know!

Our Phonics Workshop will be held on Wednesday 8th October at 2:00pm. This is a chance to find out how to support your child's Phonics at home, as well as to see a Phonics lesson in your child's class.



Next **Friday 10th October** is **Hello Yellow** day where we focus on our mental health and wellbeing. Children are invited to come to school wearing yellow clothes or something bright to highlight the importance of mental health. We will be taking part in mindfulness activities and thinking about ways we can relax and feel calm.



We are looking forward to meeting you at **Parents' Evenings on 21st October or 23rd October**.

This is a brief 10 minute appointment to discuss how your child has settled in. Please ensure appointment slips are returned ASAP.

Please put your child's name in their cardigan or jumper—thank you!

