



Nursery News

Friday 15th May



All Aboard!

Our focus book this week has been *Oi! Get Off Our Train* by John Burningham. The children were fully engaged with the story and quickly joined in with the repetitive and rhythmic phrase, "Oi! Get off our train!" This repetition helped build their confidence in speaking aloud and supported their memory and language development. The children showed great excitement as each endangered animal appeared, and we discussed why some animals are becoming rare and how we can help look after our world. This linked beautifully to our wider learning about caring for living things and developing empathy.

Patterns

In maths, we have been exploring repeating patterns, focusing on colour sequences such as orange, green, orange, green. The children practised identifying, continuing and creating their own patterns. We had discussions about what makes a pattern and how it needs to repeat in the same order. This learning supported early mathematical thinking, problem-solving skills and strengthened their understanding of colour recognition. We were very impressed with children as they created 3 or 4 colour patterns independently! Well done, Owlets!

Pattern 1:



Pattern 2:



Read Write Inc.



In RWI, our focus sound has been 'd-d-d'-*dinosaur*. The children have enjoyed listening carefully to the sound, practising saying it clearly, and identifying objects that begin with 'd'. We have also been developing our early writing skills by practising the letter formation. The children particularly enjoyed the letter formation rhyme: *"Around the dinosaur's bottom, up his long neck, down to his feet."* It was wonderful to see their confidence growing as they remember more sounds (m, s, a, and d).



On a **Friday**, Rugbytots will be returning after half term for 7 sessions. There is **no registration fee** required, so please sign up if your child would like to take part at £4.50 per session.

Date to Remember

Tuesday 19th May at 9:30am – Tempest Class Photograph

Friday 22nd May School Closed for Teacher Training Day.

What to Ask at Home

- Can you write the letter d? *Around the dinosaur's bottom, up his long neck, down to his feet.*
- Can you tell me about how to care for an injured butterfly?
- Can you make a repeating pattern?
- Can you use Fred Talk (orally segmenting words) when speaking with your child? , "Can you d-i-g in the garden?" Remember to fully, blend the sounds together, and say the whole word.