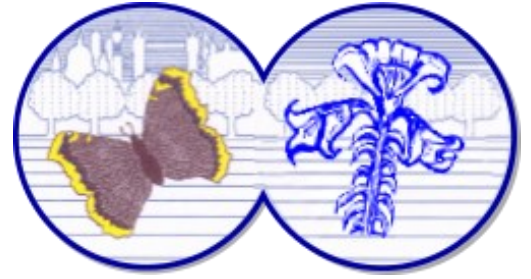


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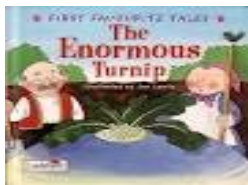


CURRICULUM NEWS FOR THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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Literacy

In Literacy we have been reading *Funnybones* and *The Enormous Turnip* and have been busy re-telling stories through acting, role playing with masks and puppet making. In relation to *Funnybones* we have been finding out about our skeletons and our five senses - taste, touch, smell, sight and hearing. When reading *The Enormous Turnip* we have been learning about where different vegetables come from and making delicious vegetable soup.



PE

In PE this half term the children are doing Athletics. They have been using their listening ears and have been learning lots of new games. They have worked with partners learning to jump, side step, hop and throw and catch dif-

Religious Education

The Way, the Truth and the Life

In R.E lessons, the children are learning all about God's World. They will be learning about The Creation Story using fabric and props to act out this out. They will also explore all the things that God created for us. The children will also be planting cress and learning how we should take care of God's World. Children will also learn that God made each one of us to be different and special.

Next half term the children will be learning all about God's Family. The children will learn how God made each of us and how we all belong to God's Family.



Reception classes enjoyed making lots of new friends. In class we have been learning what make a good friend, i.e. sharing, being helpful and the importance of using caring hands and kind words! Please ensure you reinforce these messages to your child at home too.

Maths Mania!

This term children are playing lots of fun games to promote number recognition. They are also learning how to count from 1-20 and arrange numbers in the right order. Children are learning how to count arrangements of different objects slowly and carefully using their fingers.



Autumn is upon us.

In class we have been looking at changes in nature. We plan to take the children to the local Myatt's Field Park to go for an Autumn walk to collect signs of autumn. Hopefully lots of leaves and conkers.

Conker challenge! At the weekend collect as many conkers as you can. Can your child count how many they have all together? Bring them into class and add to our conker collection.

We will also be learning about people who help us in our community i.e. doctors, nurses, dentists, police officers etc. If any parents have a job that helps our community and would like to come and share what they do with the children, please get in touch with your child's class teacher.

We are very excited to be visiting Peckham Fire Station to find out all about what is involved in being a firefighter!



Next half-term children will focus on learning how to find 1 more than a given number up to 20.

Please practise your child's counting skills at home. Can they count all the cars along the road on the way to school?