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Coming up next week...27/9/2021

Maths

In maths we will be ordering numbers that are not consecutive. The children will be encouraged to use the vocabulary greatest and smallest when explaining how they have ordered a set of numbers. We will be ordering numicon, numerals and the numbers as words. The children will also begin learning how to use a number line to find given numbers and will then use the number line to find numbers that are greater and smaller than a given number.

English

This week we will be reading the story of the Town Mouse and the Country Mouse and looking at the difference between the town and the countryside. We will be writing sentences to help the mice to know what they can expect to see in the town and the countryside. We will then be looking at our local area and discussing what is good about living here.

We will practise writing in sentences encouraging the children to use their phonic knowledge to sound out words and also remembering finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. The children will also be encouraged to write on the line using correct letter formation and for those who are ready writing in a cursive script.

Reading Books

This week the students have really enjoyed participating in our whole class reading and thinking about the story 'Lost in the Storm.' We have been looking very carefully at the following words in these sessions: mountain, valley, coast, beach, sea, shore, cliff, forest, hill, river, cave, lightning, thunder, frightening, adventure.

If you have an opportunity please discuss the words with your child to help embed it into their vocabulary

Please remember that at The Mead we encourage the children to read to you at least four times each week as they really benefit from practising their reading regularly at home. Please continue to send books and reading records in daily and remember students can change them everyday. 😊

Phonics sounds

This week we will be focusing on the sounds ay (as heard in play) ou (as heard in cloud) oy (as heard in toy and ea (as heard in each.) The children will be practising reading and writing words using these sounds. We will also continue to practise reading the tricky words: said, says, you, do, like, little, push, put, pull and full.

Topic

Our topic for this half term will be 'Proud to Belong.' In Geography this week we will be looking at the locality of our school using Google Earth. We will be looking at where we live in England and how England is part of the United Kingdom. The children will also be learning about urban and rural locations and the features of these places. We will then use this knowledge to decide if we live in an urban or rural area. In PSHE and Music we will be playing some games to develop our listening skills. We will be thinking carefully about what Roo would do, to help the children develop strategies to be independent. In Art we will be doing some colour mixing and learning about the colour wheel. The children will learn about the primary and secondary colours and how we make different colours. In Computing we will continue to practise using the chrome books and will complete an activity on Purple Mash.

PE

All classes will continue to have two sessions of PE each week, one indoor and one outdoor. This half term we are thinking about fitness next week we will continue to develop these skills.

Homework

Starting next week all children will start to bring home some handwriting and sound homework. Handwriting will also be taking place in class and any work sent home will mirror what has been taught within the week. Handwriting folders will be sent home on a Friday and should be returned the following Wednesday.

Sounds will also be sent home to consolidate what has been practised in class. All children will bring home a sound book with the first sounds to be practised. This book can then be kept at home and the sounds that we send home can be added.

End of day

Thank you all for your patience and support so far this term.

We appreciate that the end of the day can be a busy time for you. After taking into consideration the space available outside each classroom we have decided that the system at the end of the day will be a queue system. Every class will have a sign outside to show where the queue should start with an arrow to indicate the direction the queue should go.

To ensure the safeguarding of all the children teachers will handover one student at a time, in line with our school policy.

Please continue to send us any emails about any occasions or celebrations you have coming up using the class email addresses.

The class email addresses are: badgers@mead.surrey.sch.uk
hedgehogs@mead.surrey.sch.uk
Squirrels@mead.surrey.sch.uk

Reminders

- Comic Book Week celebration - Monday 27th September. Children are invited to come to school dressed as their own imagined superhero! If you have any old comic books at home we would be very grateful for any donations
- Please make sure all belongings are sent to school with your child's name on.
- Please also ensure that your child has shoes that they can do up on their own for school, e.g. Velcro, buckles or elastic laces. Please do not send your child with shoes with ordinary laces unless they can independently tie them up, as we cannot do their laces up for them.

Thank you

Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.