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Coming up next week...23/01/2023

Learning in school:

Theme for the Term: Tell us a story

During this topic we will be exploring stories about journeys, real and imagined, with a particular focus on the story, *On the Way Home* by Jill Murphy. We will be looking at different types of journeys with a focus on writing and using adjectives to describe the journey.

Theme for the Week: *Kung Hei Fat Choi!*

This week, we will be learning about Lunar New Year and which countries celebrate this event. We will learn the Chinese New Year story of the animal race and find out about how families celebrate these special occasions. If your family celebrates either of these events, it would be fantastic if you could email (the class email address below) with some information about how it is celebrated in your family and if you have some photos that you are happy for the class to see, please attach them too. It is great to personalise the children's learning!

In the middle of the week we will be having a story teller coming into to tell stories to the children and he will also be working with the children to develop their own stories linked to our topic of going on a journey.

Phonics:

Sound sheets will continue to come home this term with the digraphs and trigraphs that we are learning. Please practise these with your children regularly so they become embedded. This will help their reading become more fluent.

This week we will be learning the sounds 'air' and 'er' and will be practising reading longer words by 'chunking' them. For example in the word 'sunset', we will 'chunk' it into 2 smaller parts: s-u-n and s-e-t.

Maths:

This week we will be learning the number 7 focusing on accurate counting, composition and subitising.

Additional notes and reminders

Our junk modelling supplies have been greatly diminished. We would appreciate any donations of small boxes, lids of all sizes, clean yogurt pots etc. We would also like boxes of various sizes. Could larger size boxes please be flat packed.

Do you have any cardboard cable reels, cardboard tubes etc? We would love to have these for our new deconstructed role play areas

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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.