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## Fortnightly Focus Year R

Happy New Year! Welcome Back for the Spring Term! Thank you so much from all the team for all the lovely gifts and cards we received, it was much appreciated.

**Phonics:** This week we have started to look at digraphs, this is when you have two letters, which sit next to each other in a word and make one sound. We have started by looking at II, ss, ff and sh. The children have been practising forming the sounds using the correct letter formation, sounding out and reading words along with writing short words, which use these sounds. We have started a new phonics routine every day, after the carpet session the children go off into smaller groups and apply what they have learnt to complete different activities. Throughout the week, each group has the chance to work with the Class Teacher on one day and with the LSA on another day. So far, it has been really successful and the children seem to love it.

**Maths:** We have been consolidating our number recognition to 10 and started to work on becoming more confident in recognising our teen numbers. We have been doing lots of different activities focussing on learning to recognise numerals out of order, ordering our numerals, matching quantity to numerals and some of us have even started looking at different ways to group objects. When you are out at the weekends, it would be great if you could point out any teen numbers you might see to your child. These could be found on door numbers, buses or even on price tags in supermarkets.

**Squiggle While You Wiggle:** This half term we will be recapping over the squiggles learnt so far and applying these movements to practising to form the actual letters. This week we have been practising the up and down squiggle to 'I like to Move it' and have focussed on forming the letters I, i, t trying to write our letters on the line.

**Ideas To Support Your Child At Home:** Just a reminder to keep practising the words on the word lists. When your child can recognise the words without sounding them out and spell them, please put a note in their planner so we can check whether they are ready for the next set.

**General:** If after the Christmas break you have any unwanted cereal boxes, lolly-pop sticks, milk bottle tops, kitchen towel tubes, tissue boxes, foil sweet wrappers/jam tart cases they would be warmly welcomed in Reception for the children to use for Junk Modelling. Please remember due to health and safety reasons, we are unable to use egg boxes, boxes for peanut based products (e.g. crunchy nut cornflakes) and toilet roll tubes in school. Thank you for your help! Please encourage your child to practise zipping up their own coats, 30 coats is a lot of zips!

**Notices:** Next week we are going to be learning all about pets. If you have a pet at home or know of any friends or family members who have a pet, please could your child bring in a photo of these. The photos can be sent via email to <a href="mailto:admin@kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk">admin@kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk</a> or posted on your child's tapestry account if this is easier than bringing in hard copies.

Thank you for your support.

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