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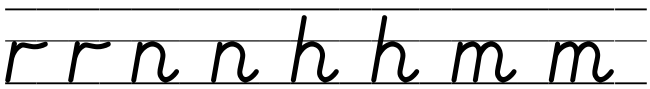
Fortnightly Focus Year R

Phonics and English: We have been learning the letter sounds y and x, the consonant digraphs ch, th, qu, ng, nk and have started learning the long vowel sounds ay and ee. We have been talking a lot about stories in class and reading some of our favourite traditional tales. Lots of the children have enjoyed retelling familiar stories by acting, drawing and writing, often adding twists of their own and sometimes inventing their own plot entirely.

Maths: We have been learning about money, weight and measure. We have looked at the value of different coins including 1, 2, 5, and 10p coins. We have practised counting money using mainly 1 and 2p coins and matching the value to items in our roleplay shop. We have practised ordering different items by length and height, using the language of tall/short/long to describe size, moving away from big and small. We have also been using items such as cubes, bricks, handprints and sticks to measure different items around the classroom. We have learnt to compare 2 items by weight, talking about which is heavier/lighter. Some of us have been looking at finding out how much an object weighs using balances and cubes. Next week we will be recapping addition and practising adding groups of objects together by counting to find the total.

Squiggle While You Wiggle: This fortnight we have been practising the hump squiggle to 'Happy' by Pharell Williams. We have used our hump squiggle movement to help us learn to form the letters r, n, m and h. Lots of children are forgetting that all of these letters start with a downwards stroke, before coming up and over. We have also talked a lot about the height difference between n and h as for many children these letters look virtually the same in their writing.



Book Change:
We are trialling a new system for changing books. If you want your child to change their books, please place their bookbag in the box by the classroom door so that they change their books that day. Your child can change their books as many times as they like in the week. We will be trying to increase the children's independence with changing their books, so please bear with us if there are one or two hiccups along the way!

Rabbits and Hedgehogs Cake Sale!

Friday 8th March is the Smarties second-hand uniform and cake sale. Each year group takes a turn to provide all the cakes for this sale and next Friday is year R's turn! These events are usually really successful in raising money for the school, so any help or donations of cakes and biscuits is very gratefully received. Please can you bring in donations of cakes/biscuits (home baked or shop bought is fine) next Friday morning to the front office. If anyone is able to spare a half an hour/hour of their time on Friday to help run the event – either setting up at 3:00 or selling cakes at 3:30, please let your class teacher know or email the PTFA at kingsworthyschoolptfa@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support.
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