

Apple Class Newsletter

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News / Information

This week I am attending another training day, based upon the new Early Years reforms. Therefore, Jon will be teaching on Friday and I will be in on Tuesday.

At the close of play on Sunday evening we had raised £600 for new decodable books in the classroom. As you know I have already purchased a set of books, spending the target sum of £250. Therefore, I will order a further set using the additional £350. Sue and I will audit what we have already and fill in any gaps across all colour banding (pink to yellow) Thank you so much Apple class. On Friday the children had reached 1,241 pages! Who knows how many more we will add after the weekend!!

More good news – my Play club has raised a further £210 so I am going to buy some lovely toys for the Mud Kitchen and additional resources to support learning in phonics and maths! I will order this week, so the children reap the benefit!!

The Lobby display is nearly completed so I hope to take some photos so you can see all the amazing work the children have achieved this term with the topic 'Traditional Tales'.

Phonics

This week you will receive the results of your child's individual phonics assessments, against Phase 3 phonics. Please take a look at it and if there is anything you would like to talk about, please let me know. As a result of these assessments, Jon and I are able to plan the next set of sessions.

What are we learning this week:

The children are inventing new stories based upon the structure of 'The Three Little Pigs'. They will use their substitution grids to take inspiration. The children have really enjoyed adapting and changing the key characters and events in this story. We are looking forward to seeing some great writing!! In maths we are covering the inverse of addition and moving onto taking away. Again, we will use number stories to support this concept. At home you could have fun incorporating subtraction in real terms i.e., using toys to make up stories, money and even at teatime.

On Friday, the children will become builders. I visited the Scrap store on Saturday and brought back some fab junk modelling materials!! We would like the children to consider how stable their model buildings are, for instance, what would happen if the Big Bad Wolf blew their house? We will use a hairdryer to find out! Watch out for some pics on Twitter.

Teacher Awards

**Margot and
Jack**

