



Friday 13th October 2017

This week we have been learning about Harvest and where our food comes from. We have shared the story of The Little Red Hen and talked about helping each other and sharing our things. The children have enjoyed making Harvest baskets and exploring our topic table which has been full of fresh fruit and vegetables. We are also continuing to notice the changes that autumn is bringing to our environment. Thank you for collecting so many conkers—we are enjoying using them for counting, creating patterns, painting and digging for in the sand! We enjoyed making bread together this week - it smelt and tasted delicious! In maths we have been finding ways of making 5 and writing down the corresponding addition number sentences e.g., $3+2=5$, $1+1+1+2=5$.

Letters and Sounds This week we have been working on learning to recognise and write the sounds e,u,r and the digraph ck. The term 'digraph' means two letters that make one sound.

Next week we will be sharing the story of The Little Red Hen makes pizza! We will make our own pitta bread pizzas (please see me about any allergies) and we will write shopping lists. On 19th October it is the Festival of Divali and we will learn a little about the celebrations that the Hindu people experience. We will make rangoli patterns and collage diva lamps. In maths we will be counting sets of objects and selecting the correct numeral to represent them. Please do not forget that Friday 20th October is a non-pupil day.

Pizzas We will provide the pitta bread bases, the cheese and the tomato sauce. Please could you send in a small amount of whatever topping your child would like to add to their pizza (e.g. ham, tomato, mushroom). Please send it in on Tuesday in a small named box. Pitta breads are only small so they do not need very much of the topping.

Show and Tell will be on Thursday next week. The theme is 'India' - have you got any photos, books or can you find out anything about Divali on the internet? You might be able to draw an Indian elephant or find out about how they are different to African elephants...

Weekly Challenge Use the handwriting sheet in your book bags to practise writing your letters. Make sure they are formed correctly.

With best wishes,

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