



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to say a huge thank you to the FOML for funding our new obstacle course. The children have had a wonderful time creating their own obstacle courses this week! We have also enjoyed playing in our new vet role play. This week we will be learning all about the police after discovering a crime scene in our classroom! We will be visited by one of our parents who is a police officer to learn all about their important job.

Phonics:- We will be reviewing all the phonemes we have learnt this term. Please continue to support your child in recognising the phonemes, especially the digraphs and trigraphs as they find these trickier. Please ensure your child is reading at home every day and you are signing their reading record book.

Maths:- The children will secure their understanding of the pairs of numbers that make 5, and then use double dice frames to begin to explore 6 and 7 as numbers that are composed of '5 and a bit'. We will also be introducing 3D shapes by introducing the vocabulary (using the sheet attached) and identifying them around our classroom.

At home you could:

- Continue to practise the new phonemes and high frequency words at the back of your child's reading records.
- Support your child in developing their fine motor skills by practising finger aerobics using the video attached: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3VpARNqbb8c>
- Go on a shape hunt around your house and start talking about some of the 3D shapes you notice. You can introduce your child to the vocabulary using the sheet attached.
- Please ensure you write in your child's diary when you read with them

Diary Dates:-

Thursday 1st February - Forest School

Friday 2nd February - FoML Manby Love Hearts sent home today

w/c Monday 5th February - Online Safety Week

Tuesday 6th February - Online Safety Training for all pupils and staff

Wednesday 7th February & Thursday 8th February 3:30 - 6:30 pm - Parent Consultations

Thursday 8th February - Forest School

Friday 9th February - FoML Manby Love

Friday 9th February - FoML Cake Sale

Friday 9th February 3:00 pm - End of First Spring Half Term

Monday 19th February 8:45 - 8:55 am - Start of Second Spring Half Term

Notices:

- Please ensure you are reading and signing your child's reading record
- Please could we have any donations of pasta to use in our outdoor kitchen
- Please ensure all your child's items are clearly labeled.
- Thank you for practising changing with your children, we have noticed a big improvement in children's independence in changing for PE, especially taking their shoes on/off and undoing buttons.
- **If you would like access to the teaching materials used in our PSHE topic this half term, please contact your child's class teacher directly.**

Parent Voice Meeting - discussion regarding new Behaviour Policy:

One of the actions that came from Parent Voice Meeting (suggested by Class Reps) to encourage parents to engage with our new Behaviour Policy, is to use a prompt question with children:

This week you could ask your child - 'What have you done this week to feel proud of?' What did the adults in school notice you doing well?

Thank you
Reception Team