



## Wren Class Newsletter - Week Beginning 19/09/2015



We have had another great week this week and we are really pleased with how well all the children are settling into school. We have also recognised that the children are becoming quite tired and we are tailoring our activities accordingly.

This week the children have really enjoyed our hospital role-play area and activities that we have doing around naming and labelling different body parts. We have been working on hearing the initial sounds in words and continuing to have fun with rhyme!

In maths we have been working on recognising the numbers from 1-10 and understanding conservation of number. We have been setting up lots of activities to help the children familiarise themselves with all the different maths equipment we have in school.

The children have really enjoyed showing their photos and we had lots of small group sessions where the children were encouraged to talk about themselves. We talked about facial features that are similar and different to our friends and we also talked about how we are the same and how we are different to each other. We have read the story 'Elmer' and used this to talk about how we should celebrate our differences.

Thank you very much for sending in the photos.

If you would like to take home a maths game for the week to play with your child, then please feel free to come and select a game on a Friday morning at drop off time. Games will be available in the classroom.

We hope you are all enjoying being able to access Tapestry from home. We have noticed that some of you have not yet logged onto your child's tapestry page. Please come and speak to Mrs Summers if you are having difficulty activating your child's page using the activation email we sent you. Please check your junk mail box in case the activation email has been sent there.

Mrs Summers will not be in class next week as she is away with the Year 5 and 6 children on a residential trip for the week. Mrs Thomas will therefore be in class all week.

# Home Learning Challenge

Detailed below is this week's home learning challenge. These are only suggested activities. Please feel free to adapt them to suit the interests of your child but focus on counting objects up to 10. Please remember that you can log onto your child's tapestry page and make an observation of your child doing the challenge. It really is great to have this feedback at school.

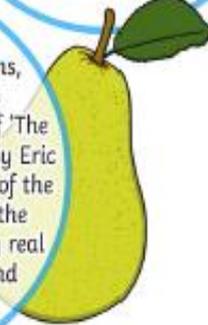
## Maths: Counts Objects and Actions Which Cannot Be Moved

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Make a collage. Collect a range of materials such as buttons, coloured paper, coloured sticks, sequins or felt pieces. Decide which material you want to use first, and then roll a dice to find out how many pieces you can stick on your picture. Count the dots on the top of the dice then count out that many of your chosen material. Choose a different material and roll again.

Go to the park and collect 10 stones, sticks and leaves. Bring them home and count out 6 of each. Can you make a picture on the floor using your objects? What can you make? Take a picture of your creation and bring it into school/nursery to show your class.



Draw and cut out 1 apple, 2 pears, 3 plums, 4 strawberries and 5 oranges. Read the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle and count out each of the fruits as you read it in the story. You could even buy real fruit from the shops and count that as you read.



Draw 5 spacemen and cut them out. Sing the song "5 Little Men in a Flying Saucer" and count out each of the spacemen left after one flies away.



Plant some flowers or vegetables in your garden. Plant them in rows of 6, counting out 6 from the pack each time. Make sure you take care of them and keep them watered.

Write the numbers 1 to 6 on A4 pieces of paper (one big number on each piece of paper). Lay them out on the floor and order them from 1 to 6. See if you can collect objects for each of the numbers from around your house or garden. You could collect 4 buttons, 5 leaves, 6 pencils etc.