



## Wrens Newsletter - Week Beginning 20/03/2017

This week we have based our learning around 'snails'!! We have been reading the story 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson. We have talked about the use of rhyme, written persuasive speech bubbles, made journey maps for the snail and described different settings in the story using descriptive vocabulary. The children have enjoyed creating their own Snail and the Whale travel journals.

In maths we have continued to work on addition and subtraction by counting on and back and we would really appreciate it if you could keep working on counting on and back from different numbers with your child. We have also been making snail trails and measuring the trails using cubes!

In art we looked at Henri Matisse's *The Snail* and used his technique to create our own snail montages.

In phonics this week we have been looking at the **er** sound and phase 3 tricky words. We are really working towards getting the children to write simple sentences or captions using their sounds.

We hope you enjoyed the spring concert on Thursday, the children have really enjoyed learning and performing their *Gingerbread Man* song.

### **Home Learning: Caption Writing**

This week we would like the children to write a caption for the pictures attached. They could choose just 1 picture or challenge themselves and do all of them! The caption does not need to be very long - write what you see. Here are some examples:

*A red bug. A duck in mud. A fat rat. A doll in a cot. A bat and a ball. A red sock. A pink box. A tin can*

Please encourage your child to use and apply their phonic knowledge, we are not looking for accurate spelling but phonetically plausible attempts at the words.



