



### Wrens Class Newsletter week beginning 16/10/17

This week I have been very proud to see the children take part in our Harvest Festival at the church. I'm sure that all of you who were able to attend will agree that they were very brave to stand up in church and sing in front of a large audience.

This week in class we have been basing our work around the Funnybones story. The children have adored the characters and loved role playing the story in our house, or telling it using stick puppets in our small world castle. They drew lovely pictures to retell the story visually too. We also had our first music lesson. We had shakers out of milk bottles and beans and used them to create sound effects for the story.

All of the children's handwriting is improving nicely, be sure to check your child's pencil grip at home when they are drawing and do make use of the letter sound cards we sent home to help them practise their letter formation.

In maths we have been learning to recognise days of the week words, sequence them and think about what we do on different days. We also set up a role play car and have imagined going on journeys, thinking about the number of days we might travel for and what we might see on the way.

We had our first RE lesson this week, focusing on creation and will be continuing the work after half-term.

I would like to ask all parents to check through uniform and PE kits during half term as we have had a few items go missing. We have thoroughly checked the cloakroom and classroom with no luck in finding the items. The parents of the children whose clothes are missing would very much appreciate your assistance in this matter. As we have mentioned before we do our utmost to ensure clothes go in the correct bag but with 20 children changing at the same time and only 2 adults to assist we cannot be with all children all the time and so items do get muddled. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Finally I'd like to wish you all a good half-term. Mrs Summers shall be returning from the forest in which she has enjoyed wind and rain this week. We both look forward to seeing you after the break.

# Funny Bones

## Home Learning Challenge

In the story, the skeletons live in a dark, dark cellar, down some dark, dark stairs, in a dark, dark house. Can you think of a word to describe the opposite of dark? Can you think of a place, somewhere that is not dark? Draw a picture of the skeletons in that place.

The skeletons are trying to find something to frighten. Can you think of something kind they could do instead? If they come to play at night-time they could do something nice for people for when they wake up. Draw a picture of the skeletons doing something kind at night-time.



In the story there is a big skeleton, a little skeleton and a dog skeleton. If there was a 'middle-sized' skeleton in the house as well, how many skeletons would there be in total living in the dark, dark cellar? Can you add one more skeleton? Try to make this skeleton using some craft or junk modelling materials. Think about what size they might be and give your skeleton a name.

Use one hand to feel the bones in your other hand's fingers. Can you feel them? Can you feel the bones in your feet and toes? Where else can you feel bones? Think about how you need to keep your bones and your body healthy and make sure you eat plenty of fruit and vegetables and drink lots of water. You can also keep your body healthy by doing exercise. Try taking a ball to the park and do some kicking, dribbling or throwing and catching with a friend.