



Wren Class Newsletter - Week Beginning 17/09/2018.

A big 'well done' to all the children for completing their first week together as a whole class! They have coped very well and have enjoyed making new friends and playing together. We have made sure that the children can choose to have a rest after lunch by putting bean bags on the carpet and listening to relaxing music. We hope that they aren't too tired and enjoy their weekend with you.

We have started to add structure to the day and have completed some English lessons. The children have produced some lovely written/mark making work such as making a class rules poster and an 'All About Me' booklet. The children have also enjoyed looking at their baby pictures and guessing who is who! In Maths we have been practising number formation and counting from 0-20.

The children enjoyed a taster tennis lesson on Monday. All the children joined in and practised tennis skills from Ascot Tennis Club. They showed some excellent ball skills.

On Wednesday the children had their first Forest School session with Mrs Summers and they had a brilliant first session! She was really impressed with all the Wrens and how well they managed for a whole day outside!! Once they had got the boots and waterproofs on they headed into the forest only to discover that the dinosaurs had escaped from their bucket and were hiding somewhere in the forest! They got into dinosaur detective mode and armed with binoculars and magnifying glasses went off in search of the missing dinosaurs. Many of the children also discovered different animals and insects as well and were delighted to do so. In the session after lunch they split into 2 groups where they did some simple games on the field and then used the forest to collect some special treasures to make a treasure stick to take home. All the children had a go at using a knot to attach string to a stick. Well done Wrens for your enthusiasm, engagement and perseverance!

Next week we will be reading the story 'Funnnybones' and investigating our bodies as well as starting a more structured timetable including regular Maths lessons.

Please note that on Wednesday there will NOT be a Forest School session as Mrs Summers will be away with Year 6. The children are still welcome to attend school in their Forest School clothes as they will be having their PE lesson during the afternoon. There will be a supply teacher to take care of the children on this day.

We have been reflecting on the start of the day and have sent a letter home with the children suggesting some improvements to make the children's arrival more comfortable. We will start this arrangement on Monday.

We have been allowing the children to take part in 'show and tell' when we have time at the end of the day. The children enjoy showing the class their interesting objects, etc. and it is a great way to encourage confidence in speaking to an audience. Please note that we are unable to accommodate all the children that want to do this and have explained this to them. We would suggest that the children only show and tell something that is part of our weekly theme or a special 'wow' moment or achievement. We will not be showing toys.

Thank you for another lovely week and we hope the children have an enjoyable weekend!