

Woodpeckers and Robins

## **EYFS** News

### Welcome Back!

Now the first half term is over your child should be well established in the routines of the school day. Please ensure you continue to promote independence in the mornings by letting your child hang their own bag and coat up and get themselves ready for the day.

Now that the children have settled in to the start of the day routine we are encouraging parents and carers to come in from 8.45 to share a book and read with the children.

If you have any queries don't hesitate to ask the staff.



#### Autumn Term 2

Our topic this term is about Houses and we are going to answer the question 'Is everyone's house the same?'

We will be exploring stories such as The Three Little Pigs and The Three Little Wolves.

We will also be looking at Christmas celebrations.







#### Autumn Term 2

#### Special points of interest:

- © 6th November PTA Firework Event
- © 16th-20th November Anti Bulling Week
- South November PTFA disco
- 10th December
  EYFS Christmas
  Nativity
- © 11th December Theatre Trip
- © 17th December Christmas Party

#### Anti-bullying week

Etwall Primary School will be taking part in National Anti-Bullying week between 16th-20th November. Miss Lynch will be running drama based workshops for the whole school during this week. Children will be learning about various types of bullying and being made aware of what is and isn't classed as bullying. In addition to this all classes will be doing lots of anti-bullying themed work in their normal lesson time.

#### **Mathematics**

We are still enjoying our regular maths and counting activities.

We are exploring numbers beyond 10 and have played SPLAT on a 100 square. Help your child to recognize numerals to 20 using the number cards that were sent home. Then extend this to numbers to 100. Look for numbers all around and talk about how many.

At home to play maths games you can login to www.interactive.resources.co.uk login: epspupil password: epspupil



#### **Phonics**

Last term the children worked really hard on their listen skills and have shown they are great at rhyming. We are now moving onto learning the phonemes. The children are joining in with the Jolly Phonics Songs with

#### Reading

Thank you to all parents / Carers who are making regular comments in the reading diaries. Little and often is definitely the best approach and already some of the children are beginning to blend CVC (consonant, vowel, consonant) words and read some of the tricky words too. Remember please that enthusiasm and are using the phonemes to blend words together. We are also starting to write the letters. Try phonics play or pocket phonics on tablets at home.



we look for four or five entries into the diaries each week. Please also ensure your child's reading book, diary, sound and tricky word key rings are in their homework folder to be updated where necessary.



Help Needed

We are looking for a collection of bottle tops made from various materials. Also has anyone got any old off cuts of guttering and draining pipes. Finally old saucepans and lids made of metal only for an outdoor music area.

If you are clearing out any toys, games or comics EYFS would be very grateful for donations

piece of fruit, vegetable, cheese or dried fruit. (Remember we are a nut-free school.) Also until the end of the month of your child's 5th birthday, your child is provided with free milk. If you wish your child to continue to have milk please ask at the office. There is drinking water available.

# Also Bug Club is avail-

able at home using the log in provided

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Toynbee, Miss Peel, Mrs Giles and the EYFS Team

#### What you can do at home

You can help your child in many ways:

Talk about our topic of houses, look at where you live and what it looks like. encourage your child to talk about what they see. Help your child to learn their address. Take

part in any of the suggested home learning activities. Websites: www.bbc.co.uk/ cbeebies

www.boowakwala.com

In November the children will be bringing their Home Learning Journal again

their drawer. The

at home as much as possible.

on learning outside

school.

Snacks

### snack, as part of the free

school fruit and vegetable scheme. They may also bring a snack

Your child will be provided with a healthy morning

for afternoon play, which can be kept in snacks they bring in must be healthy and

## unprocessed, e.g. a

We are continuing to encourage children to be as independ-

ent as possible both in dressing themselves and also when

tidying up after activity time. Please try to reinforce this

Now that the weather is a little chillier, please could you

ensure that your child has a coat and a pair of gloves in

school. Also a pair of wellies (in a bag) to enable us to keep



#### Clothing

