

This week your child was learning about: Castles, Kings and Queens

Literacy

Our book of the week was: Family Tree

This week we discussed the idea of a family tree. Last week, we discussed the Queen of England and her family from her husband and children down to her great grand children of Princes George and Louise and Princess Charlotte. We had the children talk about their family and what their family tree might look like.



Word on the Street:

This week our word is: Courteous

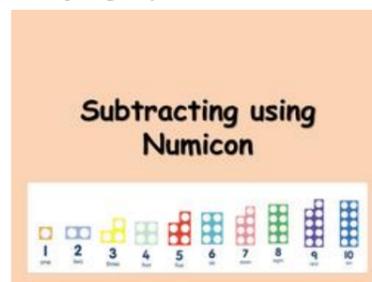
This week the children learned that word courteous, means to act in a polite, respectful and considerate manner. We thought this was a fitting new word to learn since the origins of the word come from Middle English saying to have 'manners fit for a royal court'.



Numeracy: Numbers

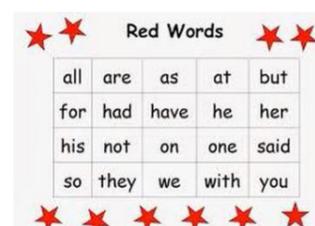
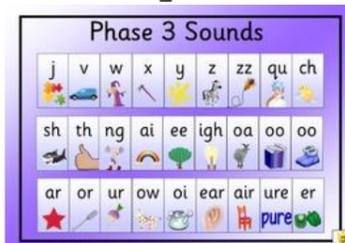
Addition

This week we discussed subtraction, the children practice writing number sentences using the vocabulary of minus, take away and equals. We used numicon tiles to support the subtraction problems and help the children.



Phonics

This week we learned the sounds; We are starting to review all of phase 3 sounds and red words. Practice these at home with your children.



Topic: Castles, Kings, Queens and British Values

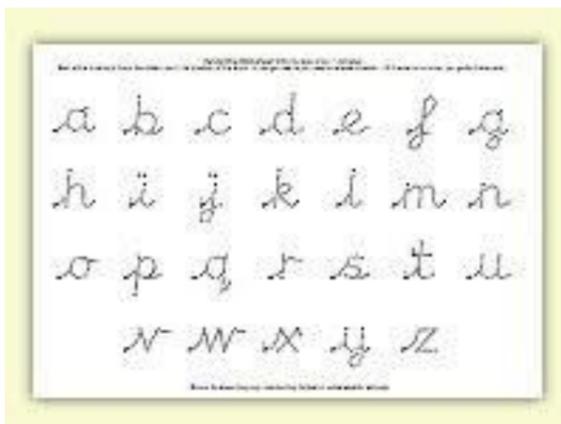
This week we took the children to the English Heritage site of Eltham Palace in Greenwich, The children loved the trip and were excited to go to a place that was once a grand palace of King Henry VIII. While not a traditional castle the children were still excited to see the real moat surrounding the palace and the medieval bridge and hall that once was the setting for many grand celebrations of royalty. We had many compliments on the children's behaviour at the palace, which we knew the children would be as the word on the street this last two weeks has been courteous! The children also recited the story

of As You Like It by William Shakespeare while on the trip to the delight of our volunteers. While it did rain, the trip was a complete success!



How you can help your child at home:

Practice writing as much as you can. We are starting to teach the children the pre-cursive style, so encourage this at home. With the sounds of the week if you can.



Practice Subtraction! You can gather anything in groups of 10 and ask your child to subtract one or two objects from the total and find the new answer.

Things to remember:

The children return to school on **Wednesday April 23rd**, we look forward to seeing you then.

Have a wonderful break!

Thank you for your ongoing support!