

# Year One News

## Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November



### Phonics

In phonics we continued to look at CCVC (consonant, consonant, vowel, consonant) words including digraphs and polysyllabic words e.g. scoop, clown, treetop, growling

Please see separate Supersonic Phonics newsletter for more information.



### English

In English this week, we created our own 'mixed-up' dinosaur characters and then became our dinos to write character descriptions. As well as remembering all of the usual things in our sentence writing, everyone had a go at including adjectives this week, and our challenge was to also use similes e.g. 'My tail is as long as a lorry.'



### Maths

In maths this week we have been finding number bonds for different numbers to 10, as well as learning how to find them all in a systematic way.

**At home, practise number bonds to 10, here are some ways that you could do it:**

- **Make up your own song/rap e.g. 9 plus 1 playing in the sun, 8 plus 2 visiting a zoo**
- **Use towers of lego blocks (you'll need towers of 1,9,2,8,3,7,4,6, two towers of 5 and 1 tower of 10) – match the number bonds together and ensure it makes 10 each time**
- **Use 10 soft toys or other toys and 2 hoops or containers – split them into the 2 hoops/containers in different ways and say the number bonds**
- **Number bond tennis – you serve a number and your child has to bat back the number to add to it to make 10**

On Tuesday afternoon, we enjoyed taking our learning outside for both our geography and science lessons. For geography, we walked around the outside of the school grounds to find out about our immediate surroundings and recorded our findings, which we will use to create maps next week. For science we did an 'ant walk' round Sparhawk Park and looked down at the ground and picked up different leaves that had fallen and created our own journey strips. Back in the classroom, we then had a go at identifying our leaves and will continue with this in our plants learning in science next week.

Dates for your diary....

### Dates for your diary

**24<sup>th</sup> November** – New date for flu nasal sprays (for children who haven't had it)

**24<sup>th</sup> November (7-9pm)** – Sparhawk FOSSA Xmas Market

**4<sup>th</sup> December (8:30-9:30)** – SEN coffee morning (see flyer)

**12<sup>th</sup> December (9:30)** – KS1 Xmas performance (more details to follow)

**13<sup>th</sup> December** – Xmas dinner day

**14<sup>th</sup> December (1:45)** KS1 Xmas performance (more details to follow)

**14<sup>th</sup> December** – FOSSA Xmas disco – see letter

### Computing

This half term we have been using the different tools on a paint programme to create digital art. So far we have made self portraits and Mondrian-style art using horizontal and vertical lines and the primary colours.

