

Reception Reporter

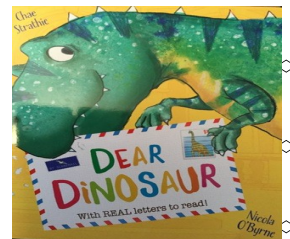
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Dear Dinosaur is our story book focus for next week. The children will share the story with their friends and teachers and they will use their imaginations to write lots of different styles of messages and letters to the characters in the story and to one another. Our carefully planned, daily phonics lessons are really helping the children to become more confident readers and writers. They all enjoy a range of books, rhymes and stories that we share together in school. It is extremely supportive for parents to encourage their children to read at home. Having a varied selection of books including their individual school reading books, library books and collections of books you may have at home are a wonderful way for the children to practise their reading skills and to read for pleasure and enjoyment.

We are very impressed at how well the children are developing confidence in their maths skills. Next week, we are going to be focussing on addition using practical, everyday objects of interest. The children will also be supported to record their maths work using pictures, tallies, and numbers.

We will be investigating the differences between night and day and encouraging the children to use vocabulary relating to this topic in their learning including night, day, dark, light, early, late, sun, moon, stars and time. They will also be creating their own starry night pictures in the style of the famous artist Van Gogh using a range of media.

Please remember that on Thursday the 28th November, we are walking up to West Orchard Church as part of our R.E. work with the children. If you are available to help us to walk to the church and back, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Ways to Support Your Child at Home

If your child has a speaking part in the Christmas play, please make sure they learn it off by heart. We are encouraging them to use their 'loud, outdoor voices' when it is their turn to say their part.

We also need all the children's costumes in school as soon as possible so that we can rehearse with their costumes on. Please make sure your child has black pumps to wear for the play. Their P.E. pumps are ideal. If you have any questions about this or anything else, please come and see one of the Reception staff. We are so pleased at the high standard of homework that is coming into school. Please continue to support your child at home to complete their little homework task.

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Here is a fun number song that you can sing with your child at home. The children enjoy changing words in rhymes and songs so you can change the words by using different objects that you choose together.

10 green bottles

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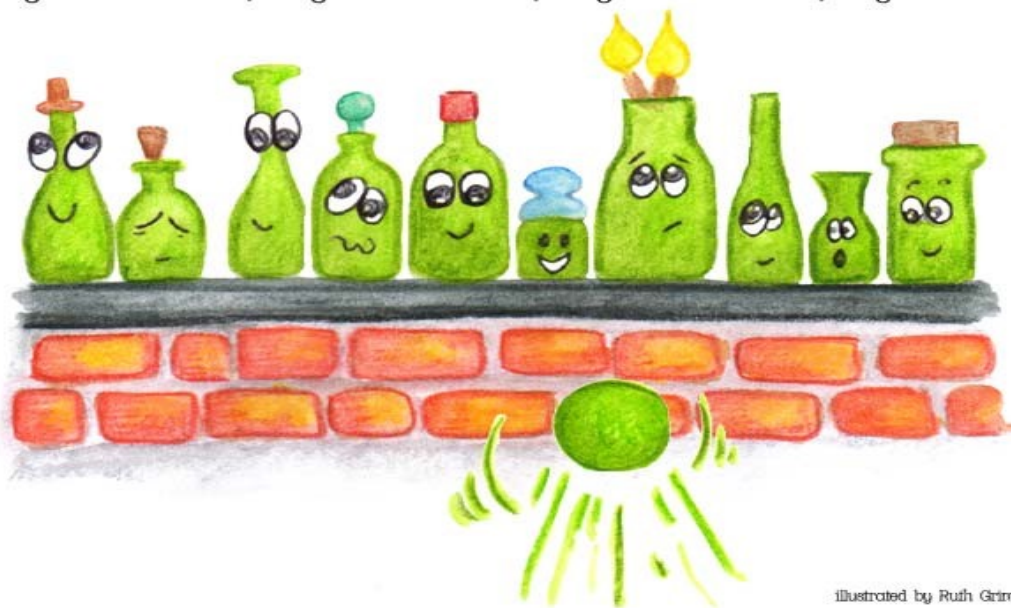
10 green bottles sitting on a wall

10 green bottles sitting on a wall
and if 1 green bottle is hit by a ball
there'll be 9 green bottles sitting on the wall.

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9 green bottles sitting on a wall
and if 1 green bottle is hit by a ball
there'll be 8 green bottles sitting on the wall.

8 green bottles, 7 green bottles. 6 green bottles, 5 green bottles,
4 green bottles, 3 green bottles, 2 green bottles, 1 green bottle



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