Oak Class Newsletter 3

The wet weather at the start of the week didn't spoil our fun but we were delighted to see the sunshine return towards the end of this week.

This week, we have been practising doubling. We know that we need an exact copy in order to find a double. You might like to practise doubling small numbers with your child (e.g. Double 2 is 4).

The children were very excited about their Forest Adventure expedition with Mrs Rees and Mrs Sheppard today. Thank you very much to one of our lovely lunchtime supervisors (Mrs Gilmour) and our wonderful, willing parents (Zak's Mum and Sophie's Mum) for supporting us and coming along. We are all very grateful - as without sufficient adult supervision, we cannot leave the school grounds. We really do appreciate your help! The children were very excited to talk about the animals they had seen.

We looked at different vegetables and we discussed how they grow. We cut them in half so that we could make prints of them using paints. It was lots of fun and we hope to taste some vegetables next week. Not all of us have tried sweet potato but we are keen to taste it.

We read the Story of Creation and we know that some people believe that the Earth was made in seven days. We enjoyed trying to remember what was created first and we tried to imagine the world without animals and plants.

We have learnt a short song about the growth of a bean.

I'm a little bean - small and round,

Bury me deep into the soft ground,

Sprinkle me with water,

Sunshine too -

Watch me grow as tall as you!

We sing it to the tune of 'I'm a Little Teapot'. You may have heard it at home!

In PE, we have been using different-sized objects to practise throwing and catching and all of us were able to catch a small beanbag. We felt really proud of ourselves.

In English, we have continued to revise our knowledge of Phase 2 and Phase 3 sounds. We are particularly focussing on the final Phase 3 sounds: ar (as in car), ur (as in turn), ow (as in cow), oi (as in foil), ear (as in hear), air (as in hair), ure (as in manure) and er (as in her). We need to recognise, read and write the sounds within our words. We have written the start of a diary about the growth of our beans that we planted. We were very excited to notice that some of our beans have started to grow roots! We've also enjoyed listening to a range of texts including 'Three Billy Goats Gruff', and a book about the seasons. We have cut the grass that is growing on our 'grass caterpillars' as the rain has really made the grass grow.

Today, we impressed Miss Rickards again during Drama. We developed our language skills and we had lots of fun working in pairs to describe hidden objects.

NOTICES

PE Kits

We still have some un-named items of PE kit. We have added names to some items. We hope that you don't mind.

Lost Property

Please check your child's bag for <u>Elsie's cardigan</u>. It has her name on the label. Thank you.

Please also check your child's bag for <u>Riley's navy sun cap</u>. It has a small dinosaur/monster on the front and his name is inside. Thank you.

Faith's jumper is also missing. It is plain and it doesn't have the school badge on it.

We have a selection of cardigans and jumpers in the classroom but unfortunately, they are not named. Please ensure that you add your child's name to all of their belongings.

Please let us know if you would like anything added to the newsletter. Please remember that I am available at the end of each day (when all of the children have been safely collected) if you wish to discuss anything.

I hope that your child has had a lovely week.

Many thanks, Mrs. S Breakwell