

Pre-school TALK newsletter Ist November 2021

This week we are learning all about: **Diwali and Bonfire Night**

Please continue to talk about the seasonal changes that the children are now beginning to see, changes to the weather, leaves falling from the trees, the colour of the leaves-red, orange, yellow and brown, nights are longer, days are shorter and its getting colder.

Autumn has most definitely arrived!



Word Ninja of the Day

Poem-Glow Worms

upset-sad or worried about something <u>happy</u>-feeling or showing pleasure <u>cry</u>-to be upset and teary <u>laugh</u>-to show enjoyment <u>boy</u>- a male child

Talk about what these words mean. Can your child use these words correctly in a sentence? Help them by modelling a sentence for them. Talk with your child about how they feel each day. Say this poem with your child, encourage your child to join in. "We are the glow worms quiet and shy Dancing around in the pale moonlight We glow, we glow. We dance wherever we go. Prancing and whirling, twirling and swirling, twisting and turning we glow, we glow"

Colour of the Week: orange Shape of the Week: square Story of the Week: A squash and a Squeeze Rhyme of the Week: The wheels on the bus Poem of the Week: Glow worms (see above)

<u>Phonics</u>

<u>Tony the Train</u>

For activity for need a toy train, a few toy zoo animals, and a bag or box to hid them in. Introduce the train first. Say something like 'This is Tony Train. He is going through the jungle. What does he see?'

Encourage your child to chant with actions:

Tony Train! Tony Train! (With train arm actions)



What did you see today? (With hands like spectacles)



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Then look secretly in the bag, and pick an animal. Give alliteration clues! Say things like 'This animal is sssslippery! It is sssslimy. It is sssscaly! What do you think it is?' Hopefully your child might be able to guess it's a snake, but don't fear if they can't! Show them the snake, and repeat some of the 's' words, really emphasising that's' sound. Then try another animal, for example, 'This animal is Illasy. It is Illovely. It is Illaughing. It's a lion!'

Extensions of this game, are can your child make up their own words? Also, can they remember which animal is 'lovely and laughing' when all the animals are out of the bag?

Send a picture or a video into the Class DOJO and Evidence Me (your child's individual electronic Learning Journey)

See the class DOJO for phonic games, stories, rhymes and poems.

<u>Maths Games</u> Please see the attached Comparing Capacity sheet

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Reminders

Please send in scarecrow pictures and models that you have made with your child over the half term holiday and bring it in to show everyone, we will present each child that makes one with a certificate and small prize!

Please can we ask parents to remember to make the weekly £1.00 donation to the Pre-school fund, this helps us provide a snack of crackers, biscuits etc. to your child, we are also starting to cook and buy resources to enhance the theme of the week. It can be paid in advance or on a weekly basis.

We need donations of newspaper and used greeting cards for cutting up, we also accept boxes for junk modelling and other interesting containers.



It's Muddy Monday next week.

Please make sure you complete the PTA Photo Christmas Card form no later than Friday 5th November. Photos will take place during school on Wednesday 10th November.

> Have a good week The Pre-school Team