

Phonics: Practice reading and writing sentences with the 'air' and 'ear' sounds. For example: I can sit on a chair. You can brush my hair. I can hear with my ear.

Maths: Look around the house/neighbourhood for 2D shapes.

Please ensure that your child reads their reading books every day and that you sign the reading record so that we can change the books every Monday. Please encourage your child to talk about the pictures in the books and if they are not confident with blending yet, to try and say the sounds they recognize in the words. **Please also ensure that reading books and reading records are placed in the maroon bags and brought to school every day.**

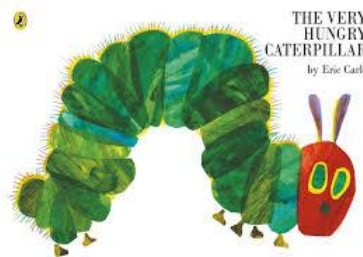
Thank you for your continued support.

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Each week the children will be learning two new sounds using Floppy Phonics. They will learn the names of the letters and the sounds they make when we read them. They will also practice recognising them in words and writing them in their phonics sheets.

We have already learnt about the sounds 's', 'a', 't', 'p', 'i', 'n', 'm', 'd', 'g', 'o', 'c', 'k', 'ck', 'e', 'u', 'r', 'h', 'b', 'f', 'ff', 'l', 'll', 'le', 'ss', 'j', 'v', 'w', 'x', 'y', 'z', 'zz', 'qu', 'ch', 'sh', 'th', 'ng', 'dge', 've', 'wh', 'cks', 'tch', 'nk', 'ai', 'ee', 'igh', 'oa', 'oo', 'ur', 'ow', 'oi', 'ear', 'air' and 'er'. This week will be 'er' as in herbs and 'use' as in rescue.

In Literacy, it is our last week of the Very Hungry Caterpillar story and the children will be finishing creating and writing their own version of the story. We had so much fun exploring the story and learning how to read and write the days of the week and all the different types of fruit.



Maths

In maths we will explore 2D shapes. Children will have the opportunity to manipulate a variety of 2D shapes to build other shapes and objects in order to have a better understanding that shapes can be combined or separated to make other shapes, or that a shape can have other shapes in it, just like numbers can have other numbers within them.



Our topic in RE is To the Ends of the Earth.

This week we will focus on how Jesus's friends spread the Good News about Him to the world. Children will share with their friends their favourite story of Jesus's life and draw pictures to show others what Jesus did in His life.



Reading Books



Your child will be given new reading books every Monday. These books are designed to help your child with new vocabulary and to build their comprehension skills. **Remember to read with your child every day and sign the reading record.** Even if the books don't have words, encourage your child to describe what they can see in the pictures using full sentences (i.e. I can see a dog splashing in the pond). Demonstrate to your child how to describe the pictures and also encourage them to use their imagination to tell you what they think they would hear or smell if they were in the picture.

School Uniform



Winter uniform is to be worn every day including ties (we understand the clips can be a little tricky so adding elastic has proved helpful for many). Please make sure your child has a coat appropriate for the weather conditions.

Please send your child to school with their **maroon** book bag **every day with their reading book and reading record book inside.**

Black book bags only come to school on a **Monday**, and this is used to take home a **library book.**

Remember to send your child with a water bottle every day.

Most importantly, **PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING.**

Please also bring in a labelled pair of wellie boots if you have not done so already.

Thank you!

The children are currently really enjoying junk modeling so we would like to ask for junk modeling donations please.

For example:

Small boxes

Cardboard

Bottles

Punnets

Bottle tops

Tin cans

Buttons

Pieces of fabric

Old puzzles

Thank you!

We will endeavour to answer any questions at the end of a school day but it can be quite rushed as we have so many children and parents. Please use the following email to contact your class teacher if you have any questions or queries: reception@olopprimary.co.uk

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