



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Learning for the week beginning Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January

- We continue working in different groups for our phonics lessons and this is what we shall be learning this coming week:
  - Mrs Clarke's group will be learning two new sounds: 'ar' star the car and 'or' shut the door.
  - Mrs Damacus's group will be learning the new sound 'ee' what can you see, and revising this week's sound 'ay' may I play.
  - Ms White's and Miss King's groups will be revising some of the set 1 sounds from last term and tricky words.

We will add new QR codes to your child's reading record books as they are taught new sounds. Please keep using the QR codes that you already have to practise hearing, saying and writing the set 1 sounds.

**Kind reminder:** Phonics sessions start at 9am sharp so please make sure your child is here on time, otherwise they are missing out on important learning time.

- We will start our topic about Vincent van Gogh. We will explore aspects of his life and some of his well-known paintings. We will have a go at reproducing one of his sunflowers paintings ourselves.
- In maths we will be focussing on the number 10. We will learn how to write the numeral, how to count to 10, different ways to represent the number 10, how to say a number one more or one less than 10 and the composition of 10. We will also revise odd and even numbers.
- In RE we will start our topic called 'Gathering'. We will look at reasons why people gather together and we will explore activities that we enjoy doing alone and activities that we enjoy doing with others.
- Our story of the week is 'Camille and the sunflowers'.
- Our word of the week is 'wish'.

PE

Thank you for sending your child to school in their PE kit this morning. Getting the children changed once has been more efficient so far. We still have a few children come to school in incorrect kit. Please ensure that you read the uniform policy to check that kit is correct for next Friday. If you have been sent a specific uniform letter please make sure that you send the reply slip back to acknowledge its receipt. Thank you.

Below are some reminders that were in last week's letter, but are still relevant.

1. **PLEASE** name every single bit of PE kit so we can return wandering items to the correct child.

2. Please send in shorts as well as track suits. When we do PE indoors we expect the children to have shorts and t-shirts.
3. Please help your child to practice taking off and putting on their own clothes. We will help children take off/ put on tricky items, turn things round the right way and do up buttons etc. However, we do need the children to become a bit more independent with changing in order to speed up the process!
4. We are running low on tissues and quite a few children have runny noses this time of year, so we would deeply appreciate any boxes of tissues brought in.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Clarke and Mrs Damacus.