



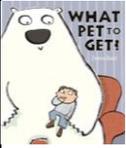
EYFS News

Friday 18th September 2020

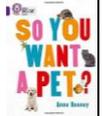


What have we been up to this week?

We have been very busy further exploring our new indoor and outdoor learning environment, and continuing to get to know each other! All of the adults in EYFS are so impressed at how well the children have settled in and how they are becoming more and more familiar with our school routines.



This week we have been exploring our first focus story of the half term, **'What Pet to Get?' by Emma Dodd**. It is a story about a boy who wants a pet but cannot decide what he wants! He comes up with lots of ideas including an elephant, polar bear and dinosaur but, unfortunately, they are all unsuitable for different reasons. In the end, he decides on a dog! After reading the story, Reception received a letter from the boy, Jack, who asked us for help in learning how to look after his dog. We talked about what we need in order to look after a pet, then used the information book **'So You Want a Pet?'** to find out further information. We then decided to write letters back to him, drawing pictures of the things that he needs to look after his dog!



We have also had our first PE sessions this week which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We were so impressed at how carefully they listened to, and followed, instructions! We explored different ways of moving including galloping, skipping, jogging and shuffling on our bottoms! We also played the 'Bean Game' which was lots of fun!

PHONICS

NURSERY

This week we have started the 'BLAST' programme. The children have really enjoyed the sessions and we have been super impressed with their excellent listening skills!

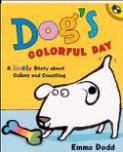
We have also been working on recognising our names. You could continue to practise this at home! You could have your name on a piece of paper, alongside other random names and see if you can select yours! You could also hide them around the house and go on a name hunt!

RECEPTION

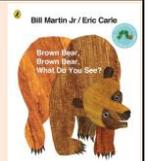
Next week we are going to be focussing on 'initial sounds'. This is where we identify the first letter in a word, e.g. 'c' for cat. Your challenge this weekend is to find things at home that start with the first letter in your name! For example, if your name was 'Ben' you might find a book, banana, ball, etc. You can record what you find on Tapestry 😊

MATHS

NURSERY



This week we have been focussing on colours. We especially enjoyed reading the story 'Dog's Colourful Day' which is about a dog who gets very messy throughout the day and ends up with ten different coloured spots on his body! We also read 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?'



Next week, we are going to be focussing on the colour 'red'. Your challenge this weekend is to find things at home that are red! You can record what you find on Tapestry!

RECEPTION

This week we have been learning about number one. We have been exploring different ways of representing it and even went on a number one hunt where we had to identify which characters were holding number 1 and which weren't!



You could go on a number hunt this weekend, seeing if you can spot the number 1 in your home! You could also practise writing the number 1. You could do this in glitter, with playdough, with paint – be as creative as you like!

You can show us what you get up to on Tapestry!

PET PHOTOGRAPHS

This week we have been talking about the different types of pets that we have at home. If you have any pets at home, or in your family, you are invited to share a photograph of them next week in class! We kindly request that you **upload any pictures to Tapestry which we can then share on our interactive whiteboard**. We will also be printing them out for our 'Pets Corner' display!



Please help your child by providing a few notes alongside the photograph such as what type of pet it is (e.g. if it is a dog, what breed it is), what it eats, how much exercise it needs, and anything else that you think might be interesting to share with our class. We look forward to seeing all of your wonderful pets! Thank you 😊

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