



Godrevy and Gwithian Classes

October 12th 2018

Our Learning Journey



Dear Parent / Carer,

Another busy week of super enthusiasm and learning. We can't believe that it is almost half term. The children have now really settled in and we are beginning to see that progress has been made and the children are becoming more independent and making good choices about their learning.

This week's learning -

<p>Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Daily Phonics Lesson in RWI – this week we have learned about c. g, k, and completed 2 Word time sessions. We have started to look at building words with the letters we know so far – in, on, it, and, pin, dog, sit, tip, pan, gap, dig, top, etc. *Practise writing our letters correctly using a correct pencil grip (nip, flip, grip) *We created our own story maps based on “We are Going on a Bear Hunt” and have written some labels and captions from the story. *Weekly Diary entries *Focus story books have included – “We are Going on a Bear Hunt”, Nine Naughty Kittens, Goldilocks and Bear related stories. 	<p>Communication and Language</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *We have provided lots of opportunities for talking, thinking, questioning and giving answers. *Each morning we have an unusual picture or object to think about and consider what it is, where it's from and who is it for. *Circle time to discuss our ideas
<p>Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Counting accurately to 10 and sometimes higher, *Counting back from 10, *Selecting numerals and matching them with the correct number of objects, *Writing numbers accurately *Number games and Jigsaws 	<p>Wonderful Wednesdays</p> <p>Physical Development, Being Imaginative, Creative, Working together</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Large Apparatus with Mrs Thompson in the Hall. *Drama and Story telling (and Cosmic Yoga!) with Mr Lawrence *Movement and Music with Mrs Ishmael <p>Physical</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Daily Wake and Shake *PE with Mr Shaughnessy on Monday mornings (Godrevy this half term and Gwithian after half term) *Large Motor Skills using our new giant construction kit. *Parachute Games *Fine motor skills – painting, drawing, tracing.
<p>Creative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Free painting *Colour mixing *Forest school paintings *Free collage and drawing activities *Singing *Musical instruments *Role Play in outdoor house 	<p>Understanding the World</p> <p>In Forest School this week, we followed trails, built dens, looked for different Autumn leaves and listened for different signs of life. We heard lots of rustling and saw a robin.</p> <p>Remember Forest School is on a 5-week Rota. If your child missed a session due to illness then they will be given another opportunity before the next cycle.</p>

Could You Help?

Our toy cars – metal, plastic and wooden are almost at the end of their natural lives (or disappeared down drains or in pockets!) Have you got any old cars or vehicles that you or your child no longer play with and would be happy to donate to our classes?

Many thanks in advance

The Early Years Curriculum

Every week we will share an aspect of our curriculum and demonstrate what we are looking for in your child's attitude and progress in Learning.

Communication & Language (Listening & Attention)

30 -50 months

Children listen to others in small or large groups, when conversations interest them,

They listen to stories with increasing attention and recall,

They join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in stories.

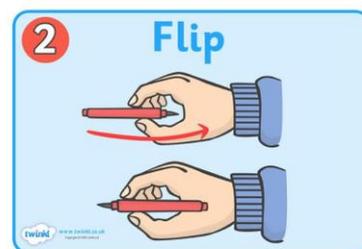
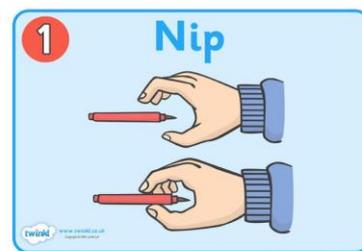
They can focus their attention- still listen and do, but can shift attention.

They are able to follow instructions.

40 – 60 months

Children can maintain concentration, concentrate for longer and sit quietly during appropriate activities

They can maintain two – channelled attention, they listen and do for a short span.



Diamonds Stars of the Week

Each week both classes nominate a child to be the diamond star. Well done to these children who have been chosen so far.

Gwithian – Eula, Kallie, Tyreece, Amelie and Oli

Godrevy – Arminas, Noah, Skye, Hazel, Lottie, Pippa and Elliot.

There are some LOVELY Pictures of these children in our Floor Books. Please ask to have a look.

Diamond Time

Don't forget – as a reward for good behaviour and learning – your child is entitled to bring in a toy, book or an activity from home each Friday for Diamond Time.

Each child is responsible for their own toy and we recommend bringing in nothing too big or valuable.

The toys are kept safely in a box or individual book bags and brought out at Diamond Time.

Advanced Notice

Now the children are more settled each morning we would like to introduce **TUESDAY CHOOSE DAY** again after half term. This was a popular event with both Parents and Children last year.

Every Tuesday morning, we open our classroom doors for half an hour so parents can come and share books, build jigsaws, make times on clocks, build towers and models or get involved on other choosing activities. This time is open to all family members and last year we welcomed mums, dads, nannies, grandpas, aunts, older and younger brothers and sisters. You are welcome to come to as many as you wish.

The first **TUESDAY CHOOSE DAY** will be on **NOVEMBER 6th** as there is badge assembly the first week back after half term.

Please can you continue to encourage your child to be responsible for their coats, bottles and lunch boxes and to remember to store them in the correct place. Lost property is kept in the **JUMPER DUMPER** outside Mr Lawrence's class. Some labels are beginning to wear out and may need to be re-inked.

Mr Lawrence, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Ishmael

***** Your child will need a cardboard box (Shoebox size) for their half term project! More information next week*****