**Topaz - Reception Class Homework**

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|  | ***Weekly homework*** |
| Week 6 – 17th October 2024  Dear parents,  Wow, what a busy time we had last week with all our Space adventures. It was lovely to see the children so enthusiastic about all our activities. Thank you for continuing to support your child at home with their learning too. It really does make a huge difference!  Phonics – Letters and sounds  This week we have started learning about phonemes (one letter that makes one sound) and learning how to write these letters (graphemes) In their phonics folder your child has two prompt sheets. The first shows just the letters. Please cut these up to make flashcards that your child can use to learn each sound. The second sheet demonstrates how each letter is formed. For each letter there is a picture and phrase that will help your child remember how to form each one. It is really important for your child to practice reading and writing these sounds every day. This doesn’t have to be for long, 5 minutes a day is a great starting point.  Reading – Little Wandle  This week your child will bring home their first Little Wandle book reading book with words. The books contain some of the first phonemes (letter sound)/graphemes (written form) that your child had been learning in class. Please encourage your child to sound out each letter and then blend them together e.g. **c – a - t** = cat. If your child is finding it tricky to blend the sounds together, please just say the word and then ask them to repeat it back to you, whilst looking at the graphemes on the page. Thank you for recording the reading you have done in with your child’s reading record. This really does help us to be able to share your child’s ideas and progress with them. Remember, you don’t have to write lots, just a comment about any questions you may have asked and how your child responded or predictions that your child made about the book. Please do also comment on your child’s sharing book too.  **Fine Motor Skills continued**  Please continue with this booklet along with practicing writing their names. If your child has finished their booklet, please ask them to draw the following: a large circle, a small circle, a spiral, a zigzag line and a wobbly line. It is fine to model what you want your child to draw as this will also help with their observation skills. In addition to the booklet it would also be great if your child could continue on with the activities from the fine motor skills guide that you received in their school readiness pack. For example, please encourage your child to use their knife and fork at dinner time (rather than a spoon) as this will help them to become stronger and more dexterous and develop improved muscle memory.  *Please remember to return* ***all*** *books on Monday so they can be used during group teaching reading sessions. Many thanks for your support with this.*  **Well done everyone!**  As always, if you have any questions about your child’s learning, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.  Many thanks,  Mrs Allan 😊   |  | | --- | | **Next week in class we will be learning** | | **Reading –** introducing Phase 2 phonics – set 1  and continuing developing listening and comprehension skills  **Writing –** Grapheme formation – Christian name continued  **Speaking –** using descriptive/new vocabulary | | **Number recognition –** number songs to 10 counting forwards and backwards  **Number skills –** 0-5 – one more/ one less | | **Understanding the World –** Designing Space suits – understanding everyday materials (manmade/natural)  **R.E –** The Lord’s Prayer – why is it important to some Christians? | | **Expressive Art and Design – Music** – Charanga – composing with instruments | | **Physical Development – Outdoor PE –** Ball skills – throwing and receiving  **Indoor PE – Fundamentals -** travelling and jumping | | **Story focus of the week: Q Pootle 5** | |