Year R Weekly Newsletter
Friday 23rd October 2026

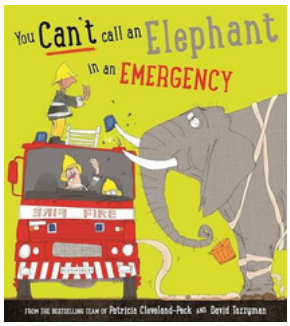
Happy Half Term!

Next week we are not in school - we will return on Monday 2nd November. I hope you all have a lovely week!

This week's newsletter contains lots of tasks and ideas to help keep up with learning over the break.

Please continue to help children develop independent skills such as putting on their own coat and doing up the zip.

Miss Cole



This week we enjoyed thinking of other animals who would be silly to call in an emergency. We enjoyed drawing our favourites!

Subject Spotlight: Science

This week we went for a walk around our school grounds and spotted lots of the things we had been learning about last week: fallen leaves, seeds, and the leaves turning lovely shades of orange and red! If you have some time next week, why not see what you can spot at a local park!

PE - learning key skills!

When we return after half term, please send in your child's PE kit. This should be in PE bag with their name clearly marked on EVERY item of clothing, including the bag. On Wednesdays, we will get changed in class for our PE lesson. We will start with just changing our tops and work towards the whole outfit. Please continue to practise at home as well!

This week in RE...

We learned about the importance of water in the Sacrament of Baptism. Water is God's love pouring out! We created artwork to show this.

Dates for your diary:

Return to school after half term - MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Friday Family Reading
FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER
3pm, Year R classroom (via our gate)

Phonemes of the week!

This week we learned:

Can your child tells you the sound for each grapheme? Please also practise all of this half term's sounds!

This week's tricky words:

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Half Term Home Learning
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Autumn Exploring

What signs of Autumn can you see when you are out exploring?

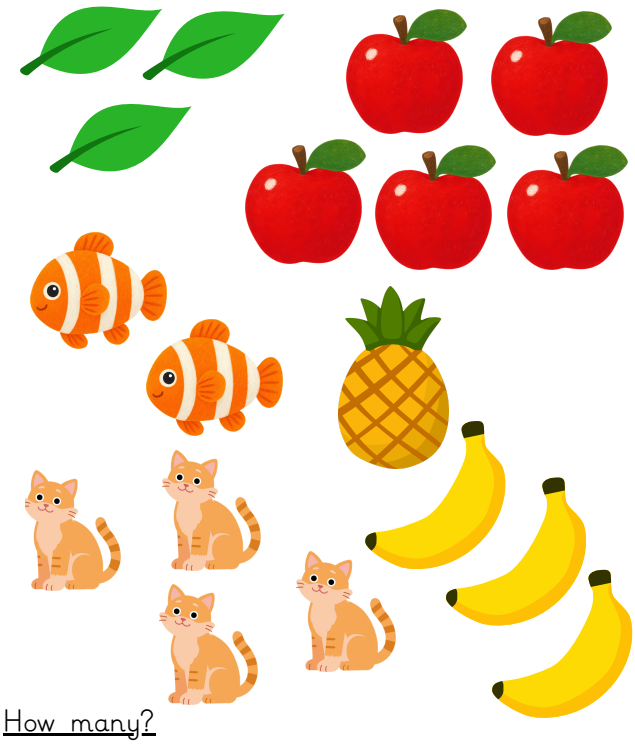
Try to spot:

- fallen leaves
- red leaves
- yellow leaves
- orange leaves
- brown leaves
- conkers
- acorns

Phonics practise

Use the list sent home to practise all of the phonemes and graphemes we learned over the last half term.

Can you say each one?
Can you write each one?
What can you find at home that starts with each sound?



How many?

Can you count each group of objects. How many are there? Practise your counting skills at home by counting groups of objects there too! Which object is there more of? Which object is there fewer?

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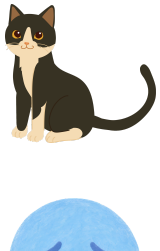
leg hat

cat dog



Blending!

Can you read these words and link them to their picture?

You can find more words to practise on our class page.

You can record your adventures and activities in your homework book if you like!