



Year R Newsletter



Friday 3rd October 2025

Messages

We have had a lovely week in Year R creating our own artwork based on the artist Kandinsky's 'Squares with Concentric Circles'. We will be displaying our finished artwork in our shared area. In Maths, we have been practising using precise number names when talking about groups of objects (i.e. 'I have 4 apples' rather than 'I have some apples') and looking at ones and twos in different ways. In our woodland session this week, we developed our fine motor skills by doing leaf threading and have been practising writing letters in sand in the classroom.

All the children now have reading books at home. Our expectation is that you read with your child at home at least 4 times a week. Practising the phonics sheet on the next page of this newsletter can count as one of your reads at home.

Notices:

- We have our Year R photo for the local newspaper next week. We are aware lots of Parents haven't given photo permissions for media which means your child won't be able to be in this photo. If you wish for your child to take part in this, please give verbal permission to the class teacher.
- We have now activated parent's Tapestry accounts. You should have received an e-mail with an activation link. If you have any problems logging on, then please speak to your child's class teacher or e-mail the school office.
- There will be a phonics meeting for parents on Monday 13th October at 5pm. At this meeting there will be more information on our phonics programme and how you can support your child's phonics learning at home.

<u>Phonics</u>	<u>Maths</u>	<u>Topic</u>
<p>This week we have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• learnt the graphemes g, o, c and k.• been learning to read the tricky word 'is'.	<p>Next week we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• subitizing (recognising amounts of objects by sight) 3 and 4 objects in different arrangements.	<p>Next week we will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• talking about things that we like and why we are special.• painting our own self-portraits.•

Little Wandle - Letters and Sounds Reception Phonics Home Learning



Phase 2 - Autumn 1 Week 3
Focus - Phonemes g / o / c / k

Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -



Pronunciation Phrase - g

Give me a big smile that shows your teeth. Press the middle of your tongue to the top and back of your mouth; push your tongue down and forward to make the sound g g g



Pronunciation Phrase - o

Make your mouth into a round shape and say o o o



Pronunciation Phrase - c

Open your mouth into a little smile; make your tongue flat and move it up towards the top of your mouth to say c c c



Pronunciation Phrase - k

Open your mouth into a little smile; make your tongue flat and move it up towards the top of your mouth to say k k k

We will be orally blending words. Can you hear the phonemes in these words? Can you listen and then repeat the word?

d - o - g

c - a - t

n - o - d

k - i - d

t - o - p

d - i - g

We will be practising tricky words. Can you spot the tricky part of the word?

is