

Reception Home Learning – Week beginning 26th April 2021

This week:

We introduced our new core text, 'Anna Hibiscus' Song', by Atinuke. In the story Anna feels so happy she doesn't know what to do! She goes around all of her extended family asking their advice. We discussed what makes us happy and had a go at writing five of these things. Anna lives in the continent of Africa so we looked at where Africa is on the globe or a map and talked about the things we already know about Africa.

Our key word this week is 'come'.

In Maths, we focussed on single-digit addition and subtraction, using a number line to count on or count back to find the answer.

The children did some gardening by planting some vegetable seeds and flowers in our outdoor area. We will continue tending to them as they grow.

Parents' Information:

Yellow book bags – Reminder

Yellow book bags come into school on a Monday. They will be returned with new reading material on Thursday every week. Please be reminded that the reading log (small yellow book) should also be in the bag each week. Feel free to write a comment in this book or simply sign it to acknowledge that you have seen our comment.

Sharing information about your culture

As our topic is 'What a Wonderful World', we welcome videos, PowerPoints or picture books about your culture, country of origin, etc. Previously we would have invited you into the classroom to share the information with the children, however due to the current situation we are unable to do it in this format. We will share the information with the children in the class and use it as a point of discussion. You can email it to your class teacher or upload it to Tapestry. Please chat to your class teacher about this for further information.

Garden

Thank you for the donations we received. It would be lovely to have a few more please. If you have any cuttings, flowers, flower pots or small gardening tools that you wish to donate or no longer need, we would really appreciate your donations. Any pots or tools you are willing to offer need to be in good condition and safe for the children to use.

Sharing a Story

Sharing a story daily enhances your child's learning immensely. We ask that when you are reading a story, maybe before bedtime, that you ask questions about the text, e.g. How is the character feeling? Can you think of a different ending to the story?; Are there any clues in the pictures?; etc. This helps children to understand the story and it develops comprehension and language skills.

Something to do

Addition and subtraction

Make a number line with numbers 1-20. Think of some number sentences, e.g. $4+2=$ or $9-5=$, etc and ask your child to count on or back on the number line to find the answer. They should have a go at writing the answer or whole number sentence.

Dressing and undressing

Encourage your child to dress and undress independently. We observed that lots of children needed adult support to change into our PE t-shirts this week. Practise taking off tops, putting tops on and having a go at buttons please.