

Foundation weekly newsletter 13/01/17

We have had a very busy but exciting week. This week the children have been exploring 2D shapes in maths and we have been looking at the artist Kandinsky. The children have produced fantastic art work which is displayed in our classroom. We will be having an open evening on Thursday and would love for you to come and have a look at all of our amazing art work. In phonics, the children are working really hard and we have been focusing on reading and writing our tricky words, please continue to do this at home. On Wednesday and Thursday this week, we have had a visitor in class, Rocky the tortoise! The children looked after him for the 2 days, fed him and even bathed him. The children produced lots of writing from this, writing letters and drawing pictures for Rocky to take home.

Next week we will be looking at 3D shapes in maths and creating our own using sticks and playdough. In phonics we will be continuing to learn our new sounds with a focus on our tricky words. The children also have balanceability throughout the day on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday which they are very excited about.

Ways you can help your child at home:

- Continue to work on your child's home learning grid with them.
- Continue to use your child's sound flashcards and help your child learn their tricky words.
- Place games at home that involve taking turns and sharing.

Announcements:

- A huge thank you to all of our parent helpers this week, we really do love having you in class.
- Please continue to send in any WOW moments for your child, the children love hearing and sharing these with the class.
- Please check our website regularly, we update this throughout the week and like to put on photos and videos of the week's learning. We have attached the link to our page: <https://holy-cross.eschools.co.uk/web/classes/37926>
- We will be having a parent drop in session on Thursday 19th January at 3.30-4.30pm. This will be your chance to come and have a look at our environment and share your child's learning journey with them.

Reminders:

- Next week we have 'Bikeability Balance Coaching'. Children will be taken out for this in small groups over the 3 days; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Children still need to wear their uniform and the bikes are provided.
- Please remember to check our parent notice board daily for reminders and resources.
- If you have any questions over the weekend, as always, please email us: hyorke@holycross.plymouth.sch.uk

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

From the Foundation team ☺