



Friday 6th November

It has been lovely to see the children back in school after their half term break. They have quickly settled back into their school routines.

On Monday afternoons we were joined in class by little robins, who brought with them the book "I am Henry Finch". This has started our new theme beautifully. The children have been writing their names using correct formation and examining their own thoughts. There has also been some beautiful painting. Next week we will continue with Henry Finch and will examine our own thought and the importance of individuality in more detail.

Reading

We will send new reading books home again on Monday (so that we get back into the Monday and Friday routine again after half term). Over the weekend please read the books "Sad Tig" and "I Miss Mum" from the Rising Stars online library (then record in diary from Monday)

Phonics

Letters
and Sounds

In phonics we have introduced h, b, f and ff this week. Next week we will introduce l, ll and ss. These are the last few sounds from Phase 2 of Letters and Sounds. A lot of the children have been really good at picking up the sounds we have taught but not all. Please help your child by practising all the sounds at home, and making sure that the sound that they say is pure. This is a good game to encourage letter recognition and is the sort of thing we do in class.
<https://www.phonicsbloom.com/uk/game/flash-cards?phase=2>

Mathematics

We have been exploring the number 4. We have looked at it written down, counted up to it, counted down from it and counted 4 objects in various different ways and arrangements. Next week we will combine 4 with 1, 2 and 3 to count, subitise and develop mathematical language.

Cygnets will have Forest School on Monday and PE on Friday.
Goslings will have PE on Monday and Forest School on Wednesday.



Flu Vaccine

The flu vaccine is due to be administered to the children on Tuesday 1st December. This is a very quick nasal spray and will be administered by a school nurse during the school day.

It has been lovely to share your half term experiences via Tapestry. If you are unsure how to do this please speak to your child's teacher.