

Southridge First School Nursery Newsletter 2nd July 2021



GROWING AND CHANGING

With the children nearing the end of their time in nursery, we have been talking about growing and changing, and how exciting this can be. We looked at pictures of babies, children, teenagers, adults and elderly people. We talked about what babies need to feel cared for, and how animals grow and change. The children also loved seeing photographs of the nursery adults as babies and children. Apparently, we were born "a long, long, long time ago!" At home, you might like to dig out some baby pictures of your own, or send some baby pictures of your child via email.

MATHS TALK

On Tuesday we had a class vote to see which animal we liked the best - a cat or a dog. We voted one by one, using ticks next to cat or dog, and it led to some great mathematical discussion. In one group of children, there was a draw. In another group, the cats got over 10 votes. The children could see which animal had won without counting. We used slow, careful counting to check our ideas. Perhaps you could run a little vote at home, and ask extended family members and friends for their votes too. Feel free to send the results our way!

Transition

As a school, we are trying to find safe ways to help the children prepare for moving on. Both Miss Parker and Miss Flitcroft have been on short visits to our morning and afternoon groups. They loved spending time with the children. On Thursday we went on a walk through the Reception corridor, children were able to see the classrooms and wave to children and teachers. We saw where the toilets are and where they will hang their coats then we went into the outdoor area to see all the lovely things they will be able to play with. This was very exciting, the children loved it! We will be talking more about Reception next week, and will be setting up our role-play area as a mini Reception classroom. Lots of the children appear excited about moving on, but please let us know if your child has any specific concerns or worries. We'd certainly love to help.



We have been learning about the phoneme /y/ and the sound it makes in words like yellow, yogurt, yo-yo and yawn. It is a short, bouncy sound. We use the picture to help us remember this sound and the formation rhyme to help us write it: down a horn, up a horn and under his head.

Many thanks for all the emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to laura.heads@ntlp.org.uk and helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk We hope you all have a super weekend we will look forward to seeing you again on Monday. The Nursery Team.