



Southridge First School



Nursery Newsletter 6th November 2020

Welcome back! It has been lovely to hear all the children's news from their half term holiday and once again they have made us very proud at how well they have all settled straight back into our routines.

For our 'Monday Challenge' we headed up to our forest area and built our own bonfire. We had to find lots of sticks and branches and fit them together to create a pyramid shape. It provided a great opportunity to talk about how to move long branches safely and asking friends to help us. Once it was built we pretended to light it and talked about how to stay safe around fire. We ended by singing songs around our camp fire. This week we also looked at videos of fireworks and talked about the children's own experience of them. We thought about the shapes, colours and sounds they made, then created our own firework display with the children being the fireworks. They were fabulous!



We have been looking at the number 3 this week. Many of the children were very excited to tell us, "That's my number!" We had a go at holding up the correct number of fingers to go with this number and have looked at the formation rhyme to help us write it.

Around the tree, around the tree,
now I've made a number 3.

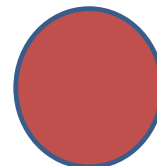
We began learning our first letter sound in Phonics this week. We have been learning about the phoneme /m/ and the sound it makes in words like Monday, mum, and moon. It is a long stretchy sound. We use the picture to help us remember this sound and the formation rhyme to help us write it: Maisie, mountain, mountain.



In Maths this week we have started looking at 2D shapes and learning some shape rhymes. Here are two of our rhymes which you can practise at home and see if you can spot these shapes anywhere.



Sammy Square is my name, my four sides are all the same,
Turn me round, I don't care,
I'm always the same, I'm Sammy Square.



I'm Suzy Circle, I'm happy as can be,
I go round and round, can you draw me?

To link with our firework theme this week the children have been making their own firework pictures with paint and taped together straws, these have looked really effective and have been a very popular activity this week.

Date for your Diary

Children in Need - Friday 13th November. We are inviting children to come dressed in either sports clothes or casual clothes (spots are optional!) and to wear a pair of trainers. Please can children bring a donation of £1 towards Children in Need.

Many thanks for all the emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to Helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk
Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.

The Nursery Team