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EYFS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Through The Keyhole! – Materials

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Teachers comment

We have had a great week at school! Many thanks to all of you who attended the Zoom meeting. We hope it was informative for you. For those of you who couldn't make it, the PowerPoint has been uploaded to our class page on the school website. Please contact us if you have any questions either via YR-20@wickford-pri.essex.sch.uk or by speaking to us directly at the end of the day. For your information flu vaccinations will take place on Thursday 22nd October this year.

Thank you for all your wonderful house creations-it has been a joy to see them! Well done to all those children who are practising reading every night. Please remember to comment in and sign your child's reading record once they have read so that we can reward and praise them! Many thanks for your continued support.

This week in school we have:

- Continued with our Through The Keyhole Topic. We have thought closely about houses and homes and looked at their similarities and differences.
- Retold the story of Goldilocks and The Three Bears using puppets and props and sequenced pictures.
- Learnt about shapes and their properties
- Looked at patterns and made some repeating pattern prints and patterned fruit kebabs that we really enjoyed!
- Compared old and new houses.
- Discussed if anyone has ever moved house.
- Made some fantastic creative Goldilocks activities, including bear masks and Goldilocks hairbands!
- Designed shape houses using plastic shapes and wooden blocks and made designs on iPads.
- In phonics we have learnt the phonemes p,i,n and how to write them. We have been continuing to learn to blend (put sounds together) and segment (breaking words up) for spelling.

Next week in school we will be:

- Using the story of The Three Little Pigs to look at materials.
- We will be sequencing the story using pictures and practising our writing by creating sorry letters from the wolf.
- Building houses using construction sets and Lego.
- Playing in the role play Three Little Pigs building site.
- Counting objects and matching to a corresponding number.
- We will be looking at number order from 0-10.
- Exploring different textures when creating houses for the Three Little Pigs.
- Sorting materials.
- Investigating which materials are strongest to build a house.

To support your child's learning at home you could:

- Read The Three Little Pigs.
- Talk about or investigate different materials (such as paper, cardboard, brick, plastic, and glass) what materials do you think would be best for making a house waterproof so that the toys that live in it don't get wet? Please send any material investigation pictures into school via email at YR-20@wickford-pri.essex.sch.uk
- Encourage your child to write their name using the correct sequence of movements to form each letter. Model as necessary.
- Practise forming the letters on the sheets provided. Continue to use the sounds we have learnt to write words such as sat, pin, sit, tin.
- Please help your child to recognise the tricky words **I**, **no**, **the** and **a** in different contexts and look at some of the phonetically decodable phase 2 words in the back of their diary.