## **Activity Sheet Week Beginning 6.11.23 Term 2 Week 2**

	What have we been learning about at school?	What could you do to support at home?
Phonics	<ul> <li>We have learnt the phonemes (the sounds a letter makes) 'h' as in hat, 'b' as in bag, 'f' as in fog and 'l' as in leg.</li> <li>We have learnt some more tricky words. These are words that cannot be sounded out and just need to be learnt by sight. We have learnt the words 'l', 'no' and 'go'. These are in red to remind the children that they cannot be sounded out.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Your child has brought home a set of grapheme (letter) cards. Please cut them up and use them to practise at home. Thank you for keeping them in the zip lock wallet.</li> <li>Practise using the new sounds to build words with your cards. Some suggestions are hat, hen, ham, bat, bed, big, fan, fat, fog, lip, lick, lap</li> <li>Practise recognising the tricky words I, no and go. Ask a grown up to write them out on paper and hide them around your home. Have a tricky word hunt. Can you find each of them when asked? Include the and to from last week.</li> </ul>
Literacy	<ul> <li>This week we also looked at another tale: The Enormous Turnip. We learnt that long ago traditional tales such as these were told rather than being written down. We looked at the structure of the story – where it took place, who was the main character, what the problem was, what the solution was and what happened at the end. We drew pictures and added labels to complete a story map and used this to retell the story.</li> <li>Venus class loved going into the school garden to retell the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. We hope you enjoyed the videos! The Enormous Turnip is a tale with two morals: You can complete any challenge when you help each other and work together as a team. Every member of your team counts – no matter how big, small, old or young.</li> <li>We read the Hindu story of Rama &amp; Sita. We looked at the different characters within it and talked about what they represented – good and bad. The message of the story is that good will always triumph over bad.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cb7TWEyoDFk</li> <li>We have been writing simple captions that start with 'it is'. Can you write an 'it is' caption at home? Eg. It is big</li> <li>Share stories with your child at home. Talk about the characters in the story – are they good or bad? What happens to those characters in the story? Why do you think that happens?</li> <li>Here is a puppet version of the Rama and Sita story that we enjoyed watching. You may want to watch it at home too. <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali">https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali</a></li> </ul>
Maths	<ul> <li>This week in maths we have been finding one more, one less and continuing to explore composition of 1, 2 and 3.</li> <li>We have used the vocabulary 'one more', 'one less', 'forwards' 'backwards 'part-whole' 'number line'</li> <li>We have used a number line to help the puppet find 'one more' or 'one less' and played musical chairs to emphasise the fact that each time a chair is taken away, it leaves 'one less'. It also means a child will be out so it leaves 'one less' child.</li> <li>We have been learning to understand that numbers can be made of smaller parts and investigated this using the part-whole model.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ask your child to identify which number is one more than or one less than.         Can your child identify one more or one less than a given number of actions?         E.g. Clap 5 times, can your child clap 4 times back to show one less than?     </li> <li>One more or one less game -</li> </ul>

Topic	This week we learnt about Remembrance Day and the significance of
	poppies and why we wear them. We made our own poppies, and put
	prayers on our prayer tree for the brave soldiers.
	<ul> <li>We have talked about celebrations and different reasons for celebrating.</li> </ul>
	Thank you for uploading your photos onto Seesaw. We looked at the
	use of candles/light in these celebrations and shared our experiences of
	using candles with our family (as well as enforcing the need to always let
	a grown up light the candle).

- We learnt that candles play an important part in the Christian faith to in reminding us that Jesus is the light of the world.
- We learnt about the Hindu celebration of Diwali and had great fun making our own Diva lamps which we will finish off next week.
- A surprise box of vegetables arrived from the Little Old Man from the 'Enormous Turnip' story and we made our own turnip soup. We carefully washed the vegetables and safely cut them up into little pieces. We discussed where vegetables grow.
- We have started to learn some of the songs from our Christmas Nativity that we will perform for you later in the term alongside Mars Class.
   More information to follow regarding costumes in the next few weeks.

- Do you remember why we wear poppies? Explain to someone at home. Take part in the 2 minute silence on Remembrance Sunday to show your respects.
- Talk about when your have used candles at home. Were you celebrating a
  birthday or an event? Maybe you have used them for a different reason such
  as when saying a prayer, or to help you see in the dark? Or perhaps grown
  ups in your family light candles as they are peaceful and calming.
- Can you help with the cooking at home?

## Request:

In preparation for STEM week (w/c 20.11.23) we need lots of boxes, plastic tubs and recyclable materials we could use to make boats. Please start bringing them in from Monday. Thank you!