

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Weekly Learning Letter Week 3

Congratulations to Alice and Arthur who received our Star of the Week certificate!

Congratulations to Miya who received our Value certificate this week!

Please keep your recycling coming in and any arts and craft supplies you would like to donate for our creative area! This could be cardboard, egg cartons, ribbon, string, scrap paper, stickers, old cards, magazines, feathers, tissue paper, wrapping paper, paper plates, tubes, plastic lids etc .

Please could we also ask that if anyone has any empty plastic soap dispensers that we could have these too please! We are looking to make a very exciting new DIY playdough station and need these to hold water and vegetable oil!

### Phonics

The children have linked sounds to the letters: oa (b-oa-t, soa-p) long oo (m-oo-n, t-oo) short oo (l-oo-k, g-oo-d) ar (far-m, h-ar-d) It is important that your child understands that oo has two letters and makes two sounds; a long oo as in zoom and a short oo as in look. We have introduced joining these letters as this makes them easier to remember and prepares your child for joining their writing.

### Maths

This week in Maths we have explored mass; comparing to see if objects are heavier or lighter. We have been working hard to develop our vocabulary to compare these: heavy, light, heavier than, lighter than, balance, same, equal, full, half-full, empty, half-empty.

### Topic

This week we have been looking at nurses and doctors and how they help us. We learnt about Florence Nightingale and we know she was famous for making hospitals cleaner.

### Home Learning Challenge

To copy the letters or er ur ow have a go at writing these independently.

Please continue to encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly as they do so.

Have a lovely weekend

Matthew Taylor

Teacher

