

Dear Parents and Carers,

Weekly Learning Letter Week 6

Congratulations to Noah and Henry N who received our Star of the Week certificate!

Congratulations to Henry C-K who received our Value certificate this week!

Phonics

This week we have been learning the trigraphs air, ear and ure. The children have been practising reading and writing words with these sounds and spotting them in our books. A trigraph is when three letters work together to make one sound. We have learnt to chop up longer words into parts to make it easier to read and write. Keep an eye out for these at home when reading together!

Maths

In Maths, we have been practising conceptual subitising. This means recognising how many objects there are without counting them one by one, and also seeing how numbers can be made up of smaller parts (for example, seeing 5 as 3 and 2). This is helping to build a strong understanding of number and will support the children as we move on with our learning.

Topic

On Tuesday, Ladybirds took part in our whole school Journey Day, where the entire day was centred around worldviews and special stories. We explored the Islamic story 'The Crying Camel' and discussed the moral of the story, that all living things, no matter how big or small, should be treated with care and kindness. The children shared some thoughtful ideas and made lovely links to our own school values.

To help us retell the story, the children made split pin camels and used them to sequence the key events. In the afternoon, some of the children stood up in front of the whole school to share our learning. They were incredibly brave and represented Ladybirds beautifully. We were very proud of them!

If you would like to find out more about the story, you can visit:

[KS1 Religious Studies: The Islamic Story of The Prophet and the Ants and 'The Crying Camel' - BBC Teach](#)

Next half term, we are very excited to begin our Dinosaur topic! Our topic word mat and parent overview leaflet are available on our class page and attached below. We will share photos of our new learning areas soon.

Thank you for your continued support this half term. We hope you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 23rd February.

Mr Matthew Taylor
Teacher

