

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Weekly Learning Letter Week 4

Congratulations to Alber and Zac who received our Star of the Week certificate!

Congratulations to Erika who received our Value certificate this week!

Ladybirds won the attendance this week! 1 more sticker to earn and then Ladybirds receive a reward afternoon 😊

Also, a big welcome to Michael and his family who have joined our school this week!

### Phonics

With Mrs Hay, the children have been introduced to the letters and sounds: oi (s-oi-l, c-oi-n, p-oi-nt) and nk (t-a-nk, s-i-nk, th-i-nk). We have also revisited th/f/v as some children are finding it challenging to say these clearly when sound talking to spell words. We also have learned to read longer words with double consonants such as r-a-bb-i-t, t-e-nn-i-s, k-i-tt-e-n and have practised forming their letters correctly. Our new tricky word this week was: you

With Mrs Maguire, the children have revisited the sounds GOCK focusing on reading CVC words.

### Maths

In maths we have focused on counting accurately when counting to 6, 7 and 8. We have represented 6, 7, and 8 in different ways and can count out the required number of objects from a larger group. By arranging 6, 7 or 8 items into small groups it has helped us to subitise and see how the numbers are made up of smaller numbers. We have encouraged the children to order and compare representations, noticing the one more/less pattern as they count on to, and back from, 8

### Topic

We learnt why we have teeth and most importantly how to brush our teeth twice a day to stop decay. The children explained what happens when you visit the dentist and we found out which foods and drinks are not good for our teeth.

We also welcomed Susie to the classroom this week to talk to the children about being a psychologist and how she helps lots of different people with their feelings. Ladybirds were really good at naming feelings and Susie was impressed with our calm area in the classroom. Susie also brought in some fidget toys for the children to explore which they were very excited by! Thank you, Susie!

## Home Learning Challenge

Mrs Hay Phonics Group - To copy the letters oi nk have a go at writing these independently.

Mrs Maguire Phonics Group - To copy the letters G O C K 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

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