

Foundation

This week has been a particularly busy one for the children, with the introduction of letters and sounds. All children have worked extremely hard to recall the letter sounds and to practise the formation with 'lead in' and 'lead out' lines. We hope that your child has enjoyed practising their formation and letter recognition using their phonic booklet. Please return these to school every day, even if the homework is unfinished. The children learn 4 new sounds a week with Friday being used to consolidate the week's learning.

Drawing around the children's bodies on large sheets of paper was met with much delight, as was naming the body parts; all children were amused at the thought of having no bones which would result in us "flopping around like jelly", the children were keen to locate their muscles and show how strong they were! As part of our lessons, the children have been introduced to correct body part names.

In Maths, we have been making patterns by copying actions, using Lego and making patterns with pieces of fruit, which were then eaten with gusto! We would like you to continue this learning at home. Some suggestions for activities are:

- Making pasta necklaces - either using coloured pasta or colouring your own with felt tips or paint
- Printing with fruit/veg or any other objects
- Using threading beads, Lego bricks etc
- Looking for patterns in the environment/ taking rubbings eg brickwork, Duplo blocks etc

Next week, our focus is 'homes', the children will be sequencing the story of 'The 3 Little Pigs' and making models of their homes. In order to help with this, please send in clean boxes, cardboard rolls, egg boxes or bottles for the children to make their models from. Please note that we are a nut free school, so we ask that containers must not have had products with nuts in – thank you! We would also like the children to bring in a picture of their home to talk about.

Please could your child have their games kit in school every week from now on. They will be starting to get changed for PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Just a reminder that we are having a whole school photograph on Tuesday and individual and sibling photos on Thursday.

Best Wishes
The Foundation Team