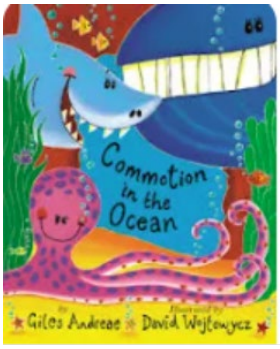
Reception News

Dear families,

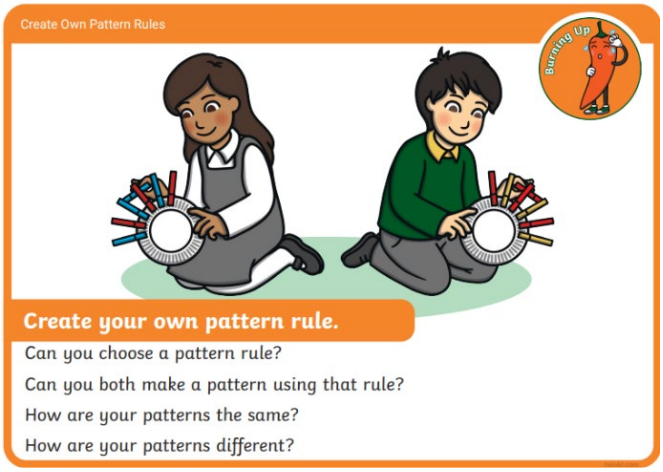
We hope you enjoyed visiting the Year 1 classrooms yesterday with your child. They were full of beans after their visit, excited about the transition ahead. It may be that in the next few weeks, and indeed over the summer, some nerves or worries emerge. Please be assured, Miss Herbert & Mrs Harmsworth will be handing over to Mrs Button and Mr Davies fully ahead of the summer break, and the beginning of Year 1 will recognise this big change for all the children. In the meantime, please do keep us posted if your child mentions any concerns.



This week we have been composing rhyming sentences in the style of Giles Andreae (you may remember the Purple Ronnie poems cards from the 1990s!) in the fabulous book 'Commotion in the Ocean'.

As well as their usual reading book, the children have brought home in their bags today an aquatic surprise for Sunday!

In maths this week we have been thinking about patterns, building from our previous learning to explain and replicate pattern rules. For homework, we would like the children to explore the challenge below. They will need a paper plate and clothes pegs (or counters) of 2 and 3 different colours, and to work with a partner.



To extend and deepen your child's understanding, you may wish to ask the following questions:

- What rule did you create for your repeating pattern?
- How many colours are in your pattern?
- Can you create a different pattern using three colours?
- Can your partner create a different pattern using the same three colours?
- Are the rules the same? Tell me how you know.
- Can you create an AABC pattern using the pegs?
- Can you make a pattern that could continue all the way round the paper plate?
- I have made a pattern with three units of repeat. Am I correct? How do you know?

As ever, please share via Seesaw.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend,

The Reception Team