

Dear Parents,

Another busy week has passed us by with lots of great experiences and learning taking place. The children's passion and love of being outside has continued on from last week's Children's Day activities. They have continued to build dens, well...we call it a den, it is more like a home for little people. It has a hammock, kitchen, BBQ, seating, beds and of course a stage. Well why not? Anything is possible in Nursery!!!

The children have this week been looking at number towers, with one more and one less as part of basic skills. They made their own tower of bricks, and wrote how many, then made the tower with one and one less. It is lovely to see their writing of numerals progressing. Please do continue to practice writing numerals and making marks, dots, dashes or pictures alongside. You may like to ask your child about one more and one less to help them.

Please find enclosed a name writing sheet we use in basic skills. If they are secure with writing their name, then you can change the activity by asking them to write it big, huge massive and then write it very very tiny. You perhaps want to experiment with rainbow writing as seen in the image.





Key points for supporting good development of writing

1. Good pencil grip

2. Let your child do it themselves. You may want to shadow the letter with your finger first, but do not hold their hand.

3. Use RWI rhymes where possible and encourage child to say them as they write.

4. Encourage your child to remember when to keep the per on the paper to finish a letter as in 'a', 'p' 'g' and when it comes off to make new mark as in 't' and 'i'

5. Praise them and enjoy writing alongside them.

Pre-Nursery -

Soldier Marks straight lined, up and down, side to side

Copy some of the different mark making patterns shown using colours and a secure pencil grip.

Home Learning- Revise all the sounds in purple sound books. Writing them to make words, writing them when you hear the sound and without an image. Writing as many sounds as you can in I min challenge. Writing them huge, tiny, and in many different colours.

Many Thanks for your on-going support. Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Magey and the Nursery Team

