



Birches First School

Nursery Newsletter

Autumn TWO- 26/11/2020



What have we explored? This week the children have explored a variety of different learning opportunities. In Maths we have concentrated on securing our understanding of numbers to 4. This has been through a variety of activities such as making sets of 1, 2, 3 and 4. Making two sets the same, searching for numbers in the classroom, on dice and identifying numicon shapes. Every time the children do this, they are showing the amounts on their fingers or counting carefully to check how many.

We have continued to practice a variety of Christmas songs with some actions. We have had plenty of opportunities to develop our fine motor skills this week especially with scissor skills. Please follow the link on notices for advice on using scissors and practice regularly at home.

Reading for Pleasure.

Story Focus in Nursery 'Laura's Star'.

We are developing our sequencing skills.

What happened first, next and at the end?

I wonder if you could sequence a story book you have at home?

Shape Show- Triangle

Looking at different pictures of triangles we know a triangle could be...

- A piece of pizza
- A nacho crisp
- A slice of toast
- A road sign.

Can you think of 3 more?

Save the Date-
Thursday 3rd
December- Wear a Christmas Jumper.

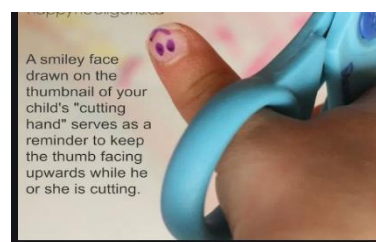
Notices- Link for scissors skills-<https://www.ot-mom-learning-activities.com/how-to-use-scissors.html>

This may be a skill you wish to utilise in your Christmas card design.

If you do not have scissors at home suitable for children they are a useful purchase to make. Most craft departments in supermarkets will sell children's scissors.

Look for metal cutting blades rather than plastic. Ideas for developing scissors skills can be found on the link.

Support from behind your child should they need guidance. Help them to hold the paper in their free hand and use instructional language such as squeeze, open, squeeze open to help their scissor skills.



Word of the Week- same (adjective)

'Identical; not different.'

"We are listening for the same sounds at the start of a word"

Try this at home!! That time of year is upon us and we know how much children love to write Christmas cards but it can sometimes be overwhelming to sign their name in 30 cards. Last year we did something different and it worked. On Friday 4th December your child will be sent home with a piece of card. We are asking you to support them with decorating it however they wish with a Christmas theme and send it back. Each child will then receive one of these cards and it will be signed from all their friends in Nursery. We felt it makes Christmas unique and involves each child in the process.

This weekend- Talk to your child about what they may like to put on a Christmas card. Begin to plan your card and collect resources you wish to use. YOU ARE NOT MAKING YOUR CARD JUST YET!!! Only planning ideas!!!