



# What have we been learning in Early Years this week?



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This Early Years Newsletter will be sent out weekly. We like to keep parents updated with the learning we are doing in school so you can talk to and support your child at home knowing what we have been focusing on each week.



The children have been making lots of new friends this week, we have spent a lot of time getting to know one another and learning names. It has been lovely to watch the children explore their new environment as they discover new things to learn with each day. Miss Hazelton and I are so impressed with how well they have settled in, they really have had a wonderful first week!

## How do we teach in Reception?

As your children play with their friends, we join them in their play and move their learning forward through talking and questioning. Because we spend a lot of time teaching as the children play it means we really get to know your children, so we put activities in the environment to specifically match their needs and interests. This means the children are engaged in their learning and our environment acts as the third teacher! We also teach RWI in groups and we do small group work throughout the week to focus on specific skills.

## Read Write Inc (RWI)

The children will be starting their Read Write Inc lessons shortly, we like to teach the children the mnemonic picture to match each sound as we find this makes it easier for the children.

Usually this term we would host a parent workshop, however with the current situation we are unable to do that. So we are working hard to put together a power point which will explain how we teach reading at Bird's Bush and how you can help your child at home. Ruth Miskin's youtube channel does have lots of helpful videos if you would like to view them.

## Next Week

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<p>Next week we are going to be continuing to get to know your children and teaching them how to use the learning environment. This is incredibly important at this time of year to ensure us as teachers can plan effectively for your children.</p> <p>Please remember you can send any special pictures or 'WOW' moments to <a href="mailto:eyfs@perryhallmat.co.uk">eyfs@perryhallmat.co.uk</a>.</p>	<p>As the children are still settling in there will be no major changes to provision next week. However, we will be focusing on a book called The Tin Forest which is fantastic for the imagination, we will be doing lots of arts and crafts based on this book!</p>