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Teaching and Learning This Week

This week the teaching and learning has been based around the theme '**Let's Pretend to be Superheroes**'. The children have listened to and discussed the story Superworm, written about their own personal superhero, designed an outfit for a superhero, made worms and explored adding two sets of numbers to find the total. They have also had the opportunity to engage within other '**Let's pretend to be Superheroes**' themed learning activities.

Ideas for Learning at Home

Use playdough to make worms. Compare the lengths of these and use a ruler to measure their length.

Go on a worm hunt in the garden or an alternative location.

Ask your child to tell you one more than a given number to 20. Praise your child for a quick response time.

Outdoor Learning

There will be outdoor learning tomorrow Friday 26 January 2018. Please send your child in outdoor learning clothes and their uniform and shoes to change into.

Thank you©

Church Visit

This half term the learning within R.E. is based around the book 'A Wedding Day Wish for Puddles' by Gill Vaisey. In response to this learning, we have planned a visit to the Church for Thursday 1 February 2018. This will be to take part in a pretend marriage ceremony with Rev. Ian. The vicar will explain to the children what happens at a wedding and why. On this day we ask that the children **come to school** wearing clothes that they may wear to a wedding (a chance for them to get their glad rags on). Please ensure that the children wear suitable shoes for the walk to the Church and come with a warm coat etc. They are required to **bring their school uniform** to change back into once we come back from the Church. Please contact the member of the team on the gate in the morning with any questions or concerns you have.

Thank-you.

Parent Focus Group

An opportunity has arisen to join our school's parent focus group. The role would involve being a representative for the Foundation year group. The next meeting is on Tuesday 30 January, 9am - 10am. The meetings are throughout the year and alternate between morning and afternoons. If you are interested or would like any further information, please speak to a member of the Foundation Team.

Letters and sounds

Miss Johnson: we have learnt the digraphs **th** as in **thick**, **ng** as in **sing** and **ai** as in **rain**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing sentences. We have also learnt to read the tricky words **we**, **me** and **be**.

Mrs Jones: we have learnt the digraphs **qu** as in **quick** and **sh** as in **shop**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing sentences.

Mrs Cheshire: we have learnt to read and write the grapheme **j** as in **jet** and **v** as in **vet**. We have applied these sounds when reading and writing sentences.

Mrs Geary: we have revisited the sounds **h r b f l** as well as **ff ll & ss** focusing on both the letter sound and letter name. We have read and written words using these sounds

Number Groups

Mrs Cheshire and Miss Johnson:

We have been learning to add one more to any number up to 10. We have used a part-whole model to count the two parts and find the total of the whole.