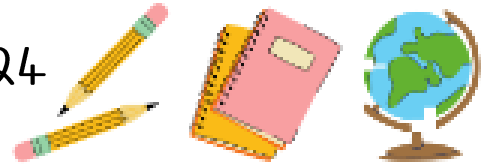


DONALDSON CLASS NEWS



Week ending: 13th September 2024



This week's learning:

Well done for all successfully surviving your first full week of Reception (including mums and dads)!

It has been a super week, we have been exploring the sounds 's, a, t and p' in our phonics this week, including beginning to write some of these (see the phonics help sheets for correct pronunciation and the rhymes).

The children have been introduced to the big word of 'subitising' in our Maths learning.

We have talked about and explored emotions, and who is in our family!

Reminders & dates:

- You will have noticed a library book in your child's bookbag this week, this is to explore with them at home - and return for a Thursday.
- You won't get specific school reading books for a few more weeks, until we have completed some more phonics sounds - I will provide more information when they go home.
- I have asked for some phonics information to be sent out to you - just FYI.

Ways to help at home:

- Using the weekly phonics home learning sheet that is emailed out alongside this newsletter.
- Begin to explore objects at home/out and about that begin with s, a, t, and p.
- Try really hard to work on recognising names - this helps with finding their pegs and drawers in the classroom.
- Recognising spotting objects with 2 or 3 things on them - eg two eyes, 3 buttons.
- Optional video to watch - [Little Wandle Phonics s a t p \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)
- Learn the 'London's Burning' nursery rhyme (one of our songs for this half term - [Londons Burning Sing A Long \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...))
- Begin recording stories/reading in the reading record = every 25 reads is a badge.

Next week:

- Learn i, n, m and d in phonics.
- Understand that counting tells us how many altogether
- Confidently sing songs with numbers to 5 in
- Begin to learn the Handa's Surprise story with actions

