



## CHESTNUT CLASS HOME LEARNING

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Today our Reception children took home a free book from Booktrust. Bookstart aims to encourage a love of books, stories and rhymes in children from as young an age as possible and so gives free books to every child in England and Wales. You can find out about more on the importance of reading with your child on the link below:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/globalassets/resources/misc/reading-with-your-child/reading-with-your-child-booklet-for-parents.pdf>

Reception also brought home their first school reading book. Reading books are changed twice a week (if returned on Monday and Thursday). Please return books in the named poly pockets provided so we can quarantine them safely. We are listening to the children read before they bring home their books. Please keep books for a few days. You can read the same book over and over again as familiar books are comforting and build confidence. Reading for just ten minutes a day with your child makes a huge difference. If your child does not have words in their book, please encourage your child to talk about the pictures to tell the story. Year 1 are being encouraged to practise the phase 3 digraphs and 'I spy' them in words. This could be done before attempting to read the word in school reading books but also in their own story books and print in the environment. Reception have started learning letters and sounds and have brought home their first set of phonic sounds to practise at home. Please keep these at home and follow the advice given to support your child. Year 1 children will be given spellings booklets next week.

Check out this week's newsletter to find out what we have been up to.

In Numberblocks, we watched episodes 7-10 (series 1) where we heard an alternative version of the 3 Little Pigs. This inspired construction, role play and creative activities. Perhaps you could retell the traditional story together at home.

Mrs Wells introduced a new reflection book into class where we thought about how Christians are precious to God and thought about what is precious to us.

We also had dance and music with Miss Freeman and PE with Mrs Cullingworth.

Please encourage your child to talk about their learning.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Cullingworth, Mrs Wells, Mrs Smith, Mrs Pain and Miss Freeman