Fishbourne C E Primary School



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Dear Shark Families,

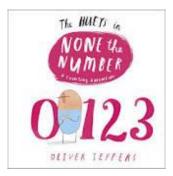
Happy New Year to you all! It has been wonderful to welcome back the children this week and hear all about their Christmas Break. We are excited for the new term ahead with lots of learning opportunities to come!





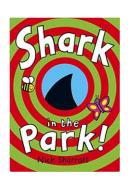
We are straight back to learning our 'Song of Sounds'! This half term we will be learning new sounds with two letters making one sound, i.e. sh, ch, th and ng. We will also spend time revising those taught last term. We will be practising lots of blending sounds for reading and segmenting them for

writing. On Fridays, Ms Robinson will continue to work on 'High Frequency Words' with the children. These are words that do not follow the 'code' that they have learnt so far, such as; 'was' and 'so'. We will continue to send home the new sounds and words taught each week. Thank you for practising these with your children at home! It is wonderful to see what they get up to on Tapestry!



In Maths, we will continue our journey of exploring numbers! We will begin the term using our subitising skills to say the number we see! Lots of time will be focused on the composition of numbers to 5 and knowing the pairs of numbers that make the same total (3+1, 2+2, 1+3. 0+4). In Shark Class, we will continue to learn maths through focused group sessions and through our play.

We will be kicking off our learning by exploring the book, 'Shark in the Park'! This book is a gorgeous hook into learning all about rhyming words! We will be looking through our telescopes, just like the main character 'Timothy Pope', on the hunt for words that rhyme! Please share your child's favourite rhyming books on Tapestry so that we can discuss our books together! Our end goal, is to continue a rhyming string.... i.e. shark, park, dark, hark... Please can you send in any large cardboard tubes (kitchen roll or wrapping paper size), as soon as possible, ready for us to create our own telescopes!



This term, Sharks will continue to have PE with Curtis, our coach from South Coast Sports. This will continue to be on Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning.

In Shark Class, we are working really hard to develop our skills of independence. The children are working hard to do the zips on their coats and peel their fruit. Please continue with this at home too.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do come and have a chat with me or if more convienent, email me at sharks@fishbourneprimary.co.uk

Many thanks for your ongoing support,

Emily Harris