

Friday 25th October 2019

STEM Week



Dear Parents & Carers,

This week we have been learning about science through exciting workshops. We have seen clouds form that then rained on the scientist, frozen balloons shrink and then reform, liquids change colour before our very eyes, heard loud explosions and have seen blue fire! I am sure you also heard that a real, live dinosaur came to Ellingham!



In Maths we have been focusing on the numbers 3 and 4. As so many of the children are still four, this was of course our most popular number!

We have continued to practise the sounds covered so far as well as learning four new sounds: **g for goat**, **o for orange**, **c for cat**, **k for kite**. The last two are tricky as we say the same sound and hence make the same action. Once again, please point out objects that have these sounds.

Home Learning

In your child's book bag, you will find our next 4 sounds that have been taught, please keep the sheet at home and practise saying the sound whilst doing the action described. We have also put in the pack of flash cards with suggestions on how to use them which we mentioned in the phonic workshop. Please keep this pack in the bookbag as we will regularly add to it. Remember, it is better to spend 5 minutes daily working with your child, rather than a long session once a week. Learning should always be fun!

Please collect empty toilet rolls and kitchen rolls- you will never guess what we will make with them! We are also happy to receive regular supplies of small junk modelling materials (cereal boxes are too big).

Reminder:

Have you donated towards STEM week through Parent pay? £4 is the suggested amount. PE kits have come home today, please wash and return on the first day back as PE will commence straightaway.

Diary dates

Tuesday 5th November - Start of term, children to be in at 8:45am

Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th at 3:05 Come in and play a phonics and maths game with your child.

Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th November - Parents/Teacher Consultation. Please make an online booking through the website to chat to us about how your child has settled and their learning so far.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Peters, Miss Frewin and the Reception Team. ☺