



## P1 News!

### Week 1 – 15/09/17

#### What have we been doing this past week?

##### Reading

For the next number of weeks we will be teaching new words by sight – this is where your child is shown the word on a flashcard and they try to remember the shape of the word and what it says.

**New words for this week** - a and red

#### What can you do to help?

Write/print out these words on small pieces of paper/card which will fit into a small container (e.g. butter tub, snack container). Home Bargains are selling these at present (79p for 3 tubs – this will be handy as you will need another separate tub when we start to learn Jolly Phonics)..... We are not on commission 😊

Each day go over these words with your child.

##### Fine motor skills

*Scissor skills* – hopefully you have seen the pages we worked on this week – cutting straight lines. We would encourage you to reinforce this at home. In school we talk about “thumbs up” when holding our scissors and “opening/closing the crocodile’s mouth”

## **Numeracy**

*Shapes* – we have been looking at squares, rectangles, triangles and circles. See how many you can find around the house or when you're out and about.

*Counting* – forwards and backwards to 10

## **Homework**

Due to the numerous requests for homework (be careful what you wish for) it's starting on Monday.

### **Handwriting skills – straight lines**

*Monday* – pages 1 and 2

*Tuesday* – page 3

*Wednesday* – page 4

*Thursday* – page 5

*Friday* – return the book to school.....we will not be taking these out of schoolbags before this

### **Ensure your child:**

works from left to right and top to bottom

puts pressure on the page

does not hold their pencil in a fist grip

**\*please bear in mind these are pre-writing skills and still developing\***

We have had another busy but fun filled week.

Very soon we will be staying in school until 1.55pm (week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept)

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