



Apple News 2019 - 2020

Friday, 27th September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Apple class are continuing to settle into the routines of Year 1. We are all very proud of them.

In English, the children had their first experience of hot seating in Apple class. Some of the children had the opportunity to act as a character from our core story 'The Gingerbread Man' while the other children would ask them some questions such as "why did you run away?" This provided the children with the opportunity to continue developing their communication and language skills by discussing what the characters could have been thinking and feeling throughout the story.

Place value is still at the core of our Maths learning. The children have been introduced to number tracks this week. They have been practicing filling in the missing numbers on the number track. The children have also practiced counting forwards, backwards and finding one more or one less than a given amount. We have used a mixture of practical and written learning experiences in order to achieve this.

The children have participated in some baking this week in preparation for our Macmillan coffee event. They had the chance to make some biscuits, which they have then decorated for the event.

The homework I sent home with your child last week covers the first half of the autumn term. I have provided a range of activities to complete. Please complete as many of these activities as possible. Homework will be due in on 18th October 2019. Thank you.

Next week we will begin to include guided reading within our morning sessions. Every child will have the opportunity to participate in guided reading over the week, alongside some activities that will help develop their comprehension and phonic skills. The children will also have the opportunity to experience the vast amount of books we have available within the school. We hope the children will enjoy the opportunity to engage in these rich reading experiences. The children will also continue to access the foundation subjects in the afternoons.

Our family café will be held on Thursday, 10th October starting at 1.45pm with tea, coffee and biscuits. I will include this again in our newsletter closer to the time.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Mulligan, Mrs Young & Mrs Whiting.