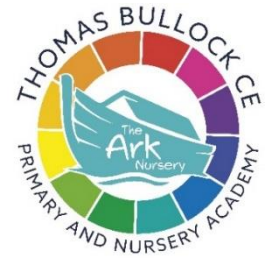


The Ark Nursery Newsletter



This week

We have been exploring musical instruments, practising playing them in different ways: quickly, slowly, quietly and loudly. We have been retelling the story and making marks on story maps for the beginning section of 'The Gruffalo'. In Maths, we have been introduced to the number 2. Alongside lots of finger counting, rhymes and number recognition, we have also practised our subitising for numbers 1 and 2 now. We discussed Remembrance Day throughout the week, making our own poppy wreath from our handprints for the Remembrance Service on Friday.

We held our first Maths Café on Monday. We had so much fun! We read the story of 'Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons', singing the song as we went. The children giggled lots at this! We then took part in lots of maths related activities. Counting the buttons onto a gingerbread man was a firm favourite!



Next week

Monday marks the beginning of Anti-Bullying Week – we will be participating in lots of activities surrounding kindness. Don't forget to wear odd socks on Monday too, to celebrate what makes us unique! Friday is Children in Need and again, there will be themed activities as well as an opportunity to dress up! Further details are in the main newsletter.

We will pause for a week our Gruffalo learning, to focus on Diwali. In Maths, we will look at counting – saying one number for each item and looking at the numeral 2.

Learning links at home

- Discuss how we can be kind to the people around us: peers, family and adults we know.

- Draw a picture and gift it to someone you love!
- Draw a circle onto a piece of paper. Then use lots of different colours and shapes to design a Rangoli pattern.
- Draw around your hand onto a piece of paper and then design a Mehndi pattern on it.