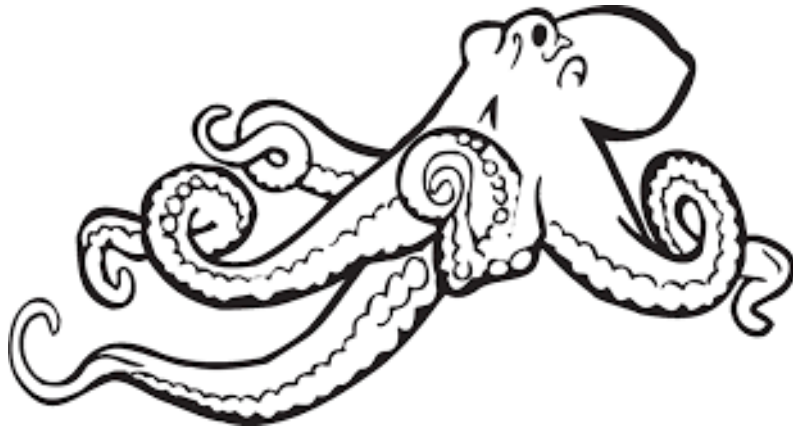


Reception Newsletter

7th July 2023



We have learnt about molluscs this week. They have soft bodies with no bones. Some have shells, such as mussels and snails. Others have no shells, such as squid and octopus. Some even have blue blood (amazing!)

We have read facts about an octopus, using our phonic skills to sound out and blend words in the text. We know that the head of an octopus is called the mantle and that each of the 8 tentacles has 2 rows of suckers on it. We have also found out that an octopus has 3 hearts (amazing again!)

We have made a lovely octopus by curling paper to make tentacles.

In phonics we have noticed that the children are getting much more confident to see a sentence and immediately start to try and read it, without so much guidance from an adult. They are getting really good at spotting digraphs in words as they sound out too. Fantastic!

In maths we have been counting accurately to 20. We enjoy this song, counting and moving in time....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0VLxWIHRD4E>

We have been subtracting amounts, by telling stories and using tens frames, taking some away from a starting amount.

We loved Sport's Day on Tuesday. The children were amazing, we were so proud of them all. Thank you for your support.

We also really enjoyed our Reading Café on Wednesday. We did lots of fun fishy activities based on the story of 'Tiddler' by Julia Donaldson.

Next week the children have 2 transition sessions in Year 1. They will visit the Year 1 classroom on Monday afternoon and Friday morning, and be taught by the Year 1 teachers. This is very exciting! And also a little nerve-wracking for some children. If your child (or you) have any concerns please do speak to one of us.

The Year 1 teachers photos have been on the last 2 Thursday day sheets, please do say hello to them when you see them around.

Have a lovely weekend!