



Friday 23rd February 2018

Dear Parents,

We hope that you had a relaxing week and that you managed to dodge the showers!

Yet again the children have started school raring to go! In phonics some children are consolidating Phase 3 whilst others have started working on Phase 4 sounds and tricky words.

We started the week reading the story 'Monkey puzzle'. The children discussed the setting and the characters in the book. The class worked together to write descriptions of different animals. Later in the week the children retold Mrs Watt the story and we discussed how the monkey must have felt. In exciting writing the children wrote about an animal in the book and why it could not have been the monkey's mum!

In maths the children started working on subtraction. They threw bean bags into a hoop and then calculated how many had missed, recording this as a subtraction sum. The children also calculated how much change that they would have if they bought certain objects.

The children have been learning about the frog lifecycle. Mrs Pierce (a teaching assistant who works with Chestnut Class) and Mrs Coupland managed to catch a frog and brought him into the classroom for the children to observe. We also have some frogspawn in class. The children have learnt the names of the different stages of the lifecycle and how the cycle keeps going round and around and around!

The rainbow challenges this week have included writing 'Who am I?' clues about an animal, creating a snake mobile, matching animals and their young, calculating change using subtraction, matching rhyming words, creating a sentence puzzle for a friend and making a frog lifecycle zigzag book.

Thank you to the mums who have emailed us an everyday photo of themselves or themselves with their child / children into school. For those of you who haven't sent one yet our email address is 'acornclass@icloud.com'.

Don't forget it is the PTA quiz this evening at 7:30pm and the PTA walk at 10:30am on Sunday starting at the Arboretum car park.

Have a lovely weekend.

Sarah and Kate