

We thoroughly enjoyed the text 'Mixed- A Colourful Story' by Arree Chung to help us explore colour mixing. It was lots of fun mixing primary colours with our fingers to create new colours.

Reception weekly newsletter

Week commencing: 02.10.23

As part of National Poetry Day on Thursday, we looked at the poem 'Take A Deep Breath' by Joseph Coelho. The children worked together as classes to create their own poem in the style of this one.



## Phonics

We continued our Phase 2 phonics learning this week. We introduced the following graphemes:









For each grapheme we learnt its corresponding phoneme (sound); 'ck' was our first introduction to a digraph; two letters that make one sound, for example 'ck' as in sock. The other phonemes were 'e' as in elephant, 'u' and in umbrella and 'r' as in rainbow.

Home challenge: Practise letter formation using the sheets, sent home with your child today. Find a fun way to practise your name writing—a stick in the mud, finger in the sand, chalks in the bath!

## Maths

Our maths focus this week was on accurate counting—to say numbers in order while assigning a value to an item in group; stable-order principle— the number names being said in the correct order; and cardinality the last number you say tells you how many there are. We helped our puppets Molly and Polly with this.



Home challenge: Have a go at making your own counting wand at home. Use this to practise counting out a selection of objects at home (I-5) using these skills, knowing that the last number you say represents the amount you have.

Home challenges are helpful ideas for you in supporting your child to consolidate their learning at home. Please feel free to choose those you feel are achievable for you and share on Tapestry.