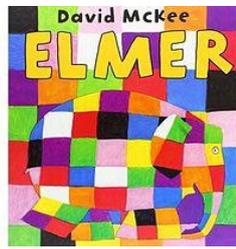




St. Mark's Nursery
Weekly Newsletter w/b 12/03/18



This half term's theme is 'Building and stories'

Last week, the children really enjoyed learning all about the bear hunt story and were very interested in the bear's paw prints. We started to talk about patterns and things repeating. We have decided to follow their interests and develop this by thinking about patterns and shapes. We will read a number of books for inspiration including; Elmer by David McKee. We will be talking about the shapes that make up patterns around us, as well as looking at animal skins and creating our own versions of what we can see and how we think they would feel.

Things to do at home:

You could help your child hunt around your home for patterns; on tiles in the bathroom or kitchen, on curtains and on clothing, bedding, household objects etc. The same can be done outside: flowers, railings, pavements, shop windows etc. You could talk about the shapes that make up these patterns. If your child does not know the basic 2D shape names you could also go on a shape hunt around your house or the park.



Please help:

Do you have any household objects with patterns on that we could borrow to look at during 'show and tell'? We will be very careful with the objects and return them at the end of the session. Please continue to send your photos from home in, using the 2simple email address.

Special Events

On **Wednesday 14th March**, everyone is invited to come to nursery wearing 'patterned' clothes. This could be stripes, spots, checks, flowers, wavy etc, or any other motif that repeats over the garment. It will be helpful if your child can say what sort of pattern they are wearing. E.g. I have green spots all over my socks; or I have purple and blue stripes on my shirt; or I have flowers that go - yellow, white, yellow, white on my skirt. They can then share their patterns with the group



MESSY CHURCH Wednesday 21st March 9am-11.20. All parents or grandparents are invited to join us for a morning of Easter themed activities and join in our Easter worship. Please sign up on a sheet in the cloakroom or contact school to let us know you will be attending.

*Thanks again for all your support
Laurie Kidd*

EYFS Leader/ Nursery Teacher