

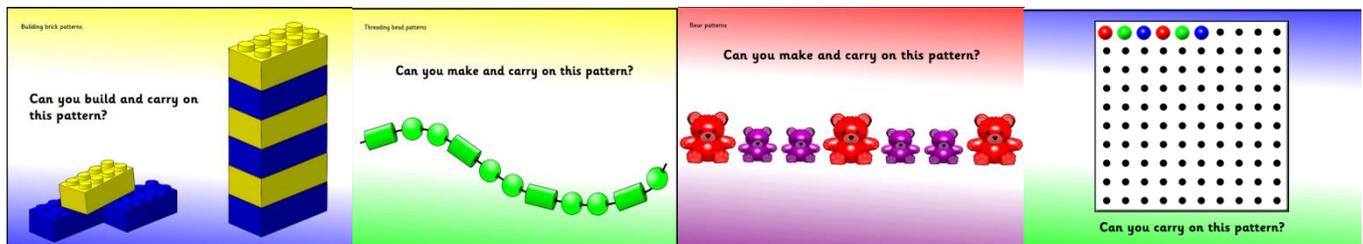
Friday 23rd November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

In phonics we have introduced the children to the letters **y z zz qu** and the sounds that they make. We have introduced reading the tricky words; **she he** and writing the tricky words; **no go the to I into**.



Patterns have been the focus of our maths work this week and the children have been detectives; spotting patterns, talking about patterns and creating our own patterns. We have explored repeating colour patterns, size patterns, shape patterns and people patterns.



As part of our *Once upon a time* topic, we have shared the story of Stick man and talked about how the stick man felt at different points of the story. We have found out what the word *lonely* means and thought about things that we can do to stop others feeling lonely. Making our own stick man was great fun! Throughout the week, we have shared other stories by the author Julia Donaldson and illustrator Axel Sheffler.

With the help of a local artist and teacher, Seb McEwen, we have been creative; sponge printing, painting, collaging, cutting and sticking to create our own Noah's Ark display. Over the past few weeks we have learned about creation through Bible stories and how it is our responsibility to care for our world and the people in it.



Home Learning challenge

To copy the letters **y z zz qu** and have a go at writing your own. Please continue to encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly as they do so. Whilst playing, it would be wonderful if you could encourage your child to create patterns. This can be done with anything and everything! "fork, spoon, fork, spoon..."

The EYFS Ducklings' team ☺

We Are Learning To



Spot, talk about and make patterns.



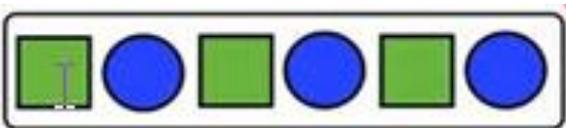
colour patterns



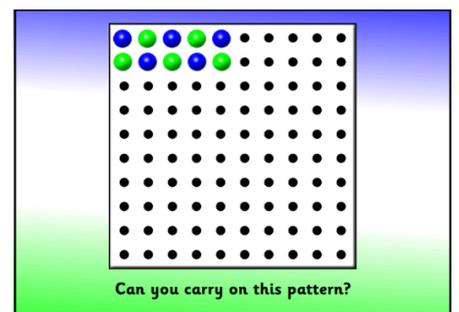
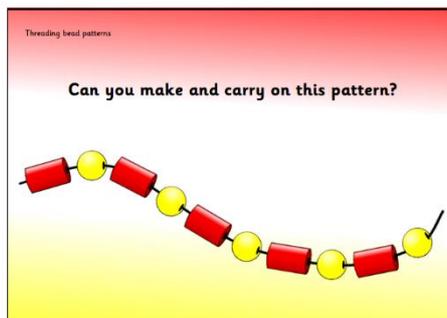
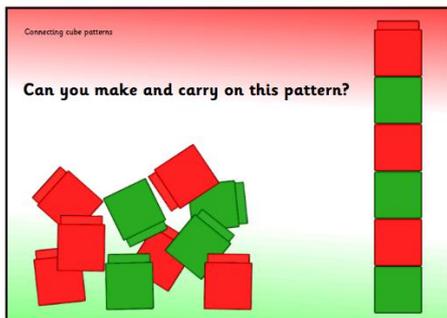
size patterns



size and colour patterns



shape and colour patterns



Using a variety of toys...

Have a go at creating patterns at home...smarties are a good incentive!

Can you use the same objects/colours to create different patterns?

