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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week the children have been busy in all areas of the school and have settled back into school life well after the half term break.

Nursery have been on a Spider Walk, looking at the different spiders webs around school. They have then made some beautiful webs using PVA glue and glitter and making spiders with pipe cleaners. I have seen some incredible writing in EYFS where the children have been composing words and sentences about the signs of Autumn they have spotted. It is great to see them using sounds they are learning in class.

Year One are looking at different materials in science and I loved listening to their conversations as they took photos on the ipad of different objects in their classroom, lots of great discussion about why certain materials were used for each one. It has been amazing to see the progress the children have made in their writing already this term – linked to the materials work then their sentences about the 'Three Little Pigs' has shown amazing improvement.

Year Two have been studying the poem called 'The Sound Collector' and made me the new 'collector' to innovate and make it their own. The children had great fun thinking of sounds that I might hear around school and presenting their writing in the form of a poem.

As you may be aware we have an amazing little girl, Tilly, in our current year two, who is a Type One Diabetic. She came to see me this week to ask if we could support National Diabetes Day on the 14th November. This year the charity Diabetes UK are asking people to paint their fingernails blue to raise awareness and show support for people coping so brilliantly with this condition. If your child would like to do this then they are very welcome along with donations of any loose change or pennies you may have at home. There will be a collection pot in each class and we will send the money raised off as a school.

Next week we are looking forward to seeing lots of the Year Two parents at our maths sessions, there will be an opportunity for you to listen to a very short introduction about our 'Mastering Number' sessions and then watch one of these in action in your childs class.

I hope you all have a great weekend,

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Headteacher

