This has been another busy and exciting week for the children! Please use this information as a helpful prompt to talk to your child about their week.

- This week we finished off our topic To the Rescue by learning about the fire service. On Wednesday we had a visit from the fire brigade based in East Grinstead. They were able to bring their fire engine with them and we all got to have a look around on the fire engine, the children learnt about the different equipment that the fire engine had and some children even tried on some of the fire fighters uniform. The children were delighted to meet the firemen and firewomen from our community station. The firefighters also asked for all the children to learn their addresses for if there ever was an emergency the 999 operator would know where to send the help needed. They also learnt about what to do if their clothes were to catch fire - stop, drop and roll. The children had great fun rolling around the classroom pretending to put out the fire on their clothes. Another thing the children learnt about was how to test their fire alarms at home. You may like to show your child/ren where they are located in your house and press the button to check they are all in working order.
- In literacy the children made a list of all the things they thought a fire fighter needed to have. They have also done some fantastic drawing and colouring of the fire engine that came in. Well done everyone!
- In Maths, we have been learning all about the numbers 6 and 7. We have learnt the rhymes for when we write them -
  6 - down we go and make a loop, number 6 makes a hoops.
  7 - across the sky and down from heaven, that's the way we make a 7.
We also learnt about how to make different combinations of these numbers by using the part-part-whole model, e.g. 3+3=6, 2+4=6, etc. The children now know the days of the week - perhaps you could ask them to sing it to you!
- In the afternoons we have had two activities for the children to complete. This week we have also been exploring the primary colours and what that means - a primary colour is a colour that cannot be made, for example - red, blue and yellow. The children have completed their first piece of work in their special art books, which will travel through school with the children as they grow up. The other activity we have been observing is what happens to water when it freezes and then what happened when we added salt and blue food colouring. The children came up with some fantastic words to describe what was happening to the ice and really enjoyed watching the changes happen over a period of time.
- In P.E. we have continued to do games, using all of the apparatus safely and sensibly. The children love going on the equipment and practising different ways of moving as well as throwing the different equipment safely. The children also helped put the equipment out and pack it away again, well done all of you for being safe!
**Wow Moments:**

- Please keep bringing in Wow Moments; we love to see what amazing things your children have been doing at home.

**Dates for the Diary:**

Reading Open afternoon - **THURSDAY 30th January** - please note the day change - apologies for any inconvenience.

Miss Smolinski’s Parents Evening - Monday 13th and Thursday 16th February
Half Term - week beginning Monday 17th February

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

To enhance the children’s learning for our Jolly Postman week next week (Week beginning 27.01.20) we would like to ask all parents to provide an **A5 envelope** with their Child’s name, address and a stamp on. This is for the children to write about their week at school and then for us to walk to the local post office and send them home. It also makes their learning experience more real as we are learning about the journey of a letter.

**Next week’s special theme ..... Jolly Postman**

Mrs Smith, Miss Smolinski, Mrs Bullett, Mrs Littlechild and Mrs K