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Week 9,

The end of the first week of Autumn Term 2! It has been getting increasingly cold and dark, but we are still as active as ever here at Chase Side.

We had parents in on Wednesday morning for a meeting which told them all about how we teach phonics at school. Phonics is a very important aspect of a child's early reading development and we had a huge turnout of parents who were clearly wanting to learn a bit more! Please see our website for further information.

The boys football team had their first and last cup fixture on Tuesday, some of the games were more successful than others (one of them we scored 14 goals) but there was another team who performed better than us on the day who goes through to the next round.

Next week continues to be busy... Continuing on a footballing theme, the Girl's football club will be practicing at Holtwhite's on Tuesday and we have been invited by another school to play a friendly match.

Next week is Mathematics Week, where the children will be carrying out a range of more open-ended Maths activities. I am also challenging the children to beat me on Numbots and we will be in competition with other Enfield Town Partnership Schools.

The eagle-eyed of you will have noticed the 2 dates for the FOCS Christmas Fair in the online calendar, this year we are going to try having the fair on a Friday straight after school. We made this decision as we have been struggling to get parental support for the fairs for a few years now, so we are hoping that by having it straight after school more of you will be able to help but also generally able to attend.

Important dates:

- Thursday 13th November 9.10am – Y1 to Y6 Reading Cafe
- Friday 14th November - FOCS Games and cuddly toy collection (at the Happy Bag donation site on Friday)
- Friday 14th November - Children in Need Day – children are encouraged to come dressed in a pair of (warm) pyjamas! Please ensure children are in appropriate footwear and still have a coat with them in school.
- Friday 21st November - Rainbow Day (please check the flyer for what each year group is donating)
- Friday 21st November 9.30am - Year 5 Assembly
- Friday 28th November from 3.20pm – 5.30pm - FOCS Christmas Fair

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend! Hope that you are able to stay warm!

Stronger Together,

Miss Scull