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Message to parents

Dear Parents,

It has been so lovely seeing some of you again in the Nursery. We are so happy to be back doing the job that we all love.

This week, I have included an activity where I have encouraged the children to try to sound out the names of their sea creatures. As mentioned in a previous letter, it is important that children can hear different sounds in words, before skipping to the identification of letter sounds. For this activity, encourage your child to say the name of the sea creature and try and identify what sound it begins with. You can then ask them what other sounds they can hear. For example, for the word 'crab' they may only be able to hear the 'c' and that's absolutely fine. They may be able to hear the a or the b sound, or both. Once they have identified the sound, you can model write the letter to show them what it looks like. Again, the important part here is hearing the sound. If they want to, you could ask them to copy the letters that you have written.

If they wanted to write about a seahorse, they may be able to hear the 's' and the 'h' maybe encourage them to write these letters, or just let them say the sounds, make marks, or write letters they are familiar with, for example letters from their name. All of these stages are important, and essential to build confidence when writing.

If you have any questions or need advice, please email me on nursery@coleridgeprimary.net

Here is a link to message for the children from Ta and Sharnell, as they are staying in Key Worker Provision, the children won't get a chance to see them:

<https://youtu.be/W4ui25zH6W0>

Best Wishes

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