



# Reception Newsflash



Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Reception Weekly News

Thank you for all the wonderful baby photos you have sent in this week. We had a wonderful time playing Guess who... trying to work out who is who. This week we have finished the Gingerbread Man story and finally discovered the fate of the Gingerbread man. In our maths, we have been subitising, this is when we can spot an amount without counting it using our fast eye. We have worked really hard at this and are very good at recognising amounts up to 3 now.

This week we have met Mrs Boardman and found out all about what happens in the Rainbow Room. We talked about first aid for your feelings and had a little visit to see where it is.

In our phonics sessions this week, we have learnt the sound (**phoneme**) d . So far we have learnt the sounds **s.a.t.p.i.n.m.d**. Please practise recognising these sounds at home. They may seem easy to us but these graphemes (how the sound is written down) are very new for the children and can be quite tricky to remember at home. As discussed in the phonics workshop, just like anything practise makes perfect! Thank you to all the parents who are helping with this at home.



The **Book Swap Shed** is now just outside the Reception playground near the bike store. Please do bring and take books to swap. We are loving seeing it being used!

## Drop off and collection

**Drop off- please note that we will be promptly shutting our gates at 8:50am.**

Please could you remind all adults collecting, including Grandparents, after school clubs etc. that if they need to speak to the Reception staff, that they wait until **ALL** children have been safely dismissed, not just your child's class. Children will not be able to return in to school to collect forgotten items until all children are safely with their adult. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Please try and encourage your children to be independent in the mornings by asking them to carry their own water bottle and book bags in to school. Thank you 😊

## Forest School

**Due to school photographs taking place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October we are postponing class 2s forest school till after half term.**

**The dates for after half term are as follows**

- Class 2: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**
- Class 3: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**
- Class 1: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**
- Class 2 :Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**
- Class 3: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November**
- Class 1: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**



If you are concerned on colder days about your child's warmth, please put another layer in the bag i.e. thicker socks or a fleece, as it is easy to remove layers once out in the Forest School.

**For Forest school sessions** please send children into school in their PE kit-( just joggers no shorts) not their **forest school kit** as it may not be your child's group first.

Please could all Forest School Kit listed above come in to school in a separate bag, (**pump bag, back pack**) which is **ALL** clearly named. This makes it easier when we are trying to get children changed. Thank you 😊

### Weekly Home Learning Challenges

Please can you practise reading these words with your child. Write them on some paper to make it easier. You could even write two of each word and make a pairs game but you can only keep them if you can read them! Remind your child to sound out each sound and squeeze them (blend) them together. You could even have a go at writing some too. Ask your child to stretch the word apart and then chop it up (segment) and write the sounds they can hear. **Practising regularly will really support your child!**

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### Weekly Home Learning Challenges

Please could you go on an Autumn Walk and have a look for some Autumn Treasure e.g. autumn leaves, conkers etc. Next week we will be completing some leaf rubbings.



### Important Information

Snack money is £10 per term or £30 for the year. Please send any payments for snack with your child in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and the title Snack Money. You can pay for a term or for the full year. Children will be provided with fruit and milk each day. We also use this money for all the extra exciting things we do like baking, traditional tales feasts to name a few! Please note that children **are not** permitted to bring in their **own snack**.