



Reception Newsflash

Friday 15th December 2023

Reception Weekly News

What a busy week we have had... lots of Christmas activities, several self-portraits and a Christmas Play! It sounds just like a Christmas song. We hope you have enjoyed our Christmas Nativity this week. The children were super stars and the staff are all very proud. We are sure that you were too! Thanks again for all your support with learning lines and providing Christmas jumpers, we appreciate your ongoing support.



We have been recapping over all the Phase 2 sounds that we have learnt this autumn term. The sounds we have learnt are as follows (s a t p i n m d g o c k ck e u r h b f ff l ll ss). We have been using these sounds to help Santa, as he needed some help in writing a list of what was in his sack. The children wrote a list including some words such as doll, pen etc.

Homework Challenge

Between now and January could we ask that the children experience travelling on a bus – it can be as near or as far as is manageable for you – Even one stop is fantastic! We will be setting up bus role plays in our classroom and providing a bus stop so it is important the children have had experience of this. This can also be ticked off in your child's Activity Passport and will really help us with our next English text. If you could please take photographs and send into your child's class then that would be super – Many thanks for your continued support.

HouseKeeping

Thank you to all the families who are continuing to read each night at home. We have just completed our Phonics Assessments for this half term and the children that are reading at least 3 times a week have shown the most progress so well done to all those families who continue to read on Phonics Bug. If you require any additional support accessing or using Phonics Bug or with Phonics, please let us know.

We will not be adding any new books over the Christmas period as we would like children to re read all the books that are on there to support your child in building fluency. This will be stored be in your child's online library tab on Bug Club. Please recap over all the sounds that we have learnt (s a t p i n m d g o c k ck e u r h b f ff l ll ss) and practise the tricky words (the, to, I, no, go, into). 2 weeks may not seem like a long time but it is in the life of a 4 or 5 year old and we need children to come back to school remembering their phonics knowledge from the previous half term so we can move them on so please, please keep practising over the holiday! Even a 5 minute phonic blast of these sounds each day will really help.

Just to remind you...

Children will only receive Golden Tickets if it is the Phonics bug books they have practised reading three times a week and parents/ carers have written and recorded this read in their reading diary. Look out for further information in the New Year as to what the next Golden Ticket treat will be!

Library Books

Library Books will not be coming home over the holidays so that we can get a new selection of library books ready for after the holidays.

Forest School

We will send information out after the Christmas holiday, of which groups and classes turn it in.

Thank you 😊

Dates for your diaries

Thursday 4th January- Children return to school