

Reception Newsletter!

Friday 16th November 2018

Week 10

We have had a fantastic week in Reception class. On Monday we really enjoyed taking part in our whole school Remembrance Day commemorations. We made beautiful handprint poppies (you might have seen our display in the outdoor mud kitchen) and had a wonderful time joining the rest of the school for the tea party. We talked about how important it is to remember and give thanks to all the people who have helped make our lives happy and safe. **Ask us all about it.**

On Tuesday we had the most wonderful time at the woods. We spent the day building houses for the Gruffalo and friends, making magic woodland wands and building Stickman's family tree. In between all these jobs we enjoyed hot chocolate and biscuits around the campfire, building dens, making fairy swings and having the best time rolling down the hill! **Ask us what we enjoyed the most about our visit.** We also had a competition to see who could catch a falling leaf...this was much harder than we first thought! (You might like to try this at the weekend!) Mr Moore was so impressed with our listening skills, our beautiful manners and our lovely big smiles that he brought us some special stickers on Wednesday! We would like to say a big thank you to our amazing parent helpers.

In our mathematics this week we've had a great time exploring length. We collected lots of sticks in our outdoor classroom and worked together to compare their length and then order them from smallest to longest. We were so excited to find some Gruffalo footprints in our classroom! We had lots of fun comparing our feet to the Gruffalo's...his were much bigger! We then decided to measure our own feet using cubes and investigate who had the biggest feet.

In P.E we impressed Mr Thompson with our under arm throwing and catching. We used bean bags and worked hard to aim for our partners hands.

Today we have loved coming to school in our pyjamas! We talked about how Children in Need raised money to help children be happy and stay safe. **Ask us all about it!**

Reading at home

Thank you for your feedback in your child's reading diary. We are so pleased with their progress and how much they are enjoying sharing their learning with you at home. **Please send your child's reading diary, book and Phonics challenge into school on Wednesday. Thank you.**

Christmas Play

We are really enjoying learning the songs for our Christmas Play. This week we have started to learn our special lines. We have sent home your child's lines for you to practice at home. We are working on using our big voices and using lots of expression. Thank you for sending in costumes this week. **We kindly ask that all costumes are sent in no later than Monday 26th November.**

Wow Wednesday Dates

Wow Wednesdays provide an opportunity to look through your child's Learning Journey. **They are held between 8.30-8.50am on the following dates:**

Wednesday 28th November

Wednesday 19th December

Phonics

This week we have focused on Phase 2 Tricky Words. We have practised reading them, finding them in sentences and even writing them. Ms Shepherd and Mrs McGray are very impressed! You might like to practise reading and writing our tricky words at home. We have also been working on writing CVC words independently (e.g. cat, dog, bed, pin, map.) We are working hard to sound the words out carefully and write down the sounds we can hear.

Our week in pictures...



We hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday.

Yours Faithfully,
Ms Shepherd and the Reception Team.