

Reception Newsletter!

Friday 30th November 2018

Week 12

We can't quite believe it's the 1st of December tomorrow! We've had a fantastic and busy week in Reception class.

We started our week by going on a Bear Hunt in our outdoor classroom! We even made some colourful (and messy!) bear porridge. **Ask us about finding the bear in the cave!**

We really enjoyed taking part in our very own Christmas Photoshoot on Tuesday morning. Debbie Young captured some amazing images and we hoped you enjoyed looking through them as much as we did! The commission made from the sale of the photographs will go directly towards our outdoor classroom fundraising.

In P.E this week we had so much fun playing dodge ball! We worked really well together in our teams and tried really hard to roll the ball accurately in order to get the other team out. **Ask us what happened when the 'super ball' came into play!**

In our mathematics session this week we have been working hard to form all numerals (1-9) using the correct routes. We used our 'magic pens' to form the numerals in the air whilst saying our formation rhymes. We then had lots of fun forming numerals in lots and lots of different ways. We made numerals out of string, cubes, conkers and playdough! We formed numbers using cars, finger paints, chalk and magic paint! **Ask us all about it!** When you are playing this weekend you might like to practise forming numerals in different ways (mud and sticks are always a great idea if you're playing in the garden.)

On Thursday we had a wonderful time with Mrs Forsyth learning all about Hanukah. We really enjoyed using our knowledge to make some beautiful artwork, including hand print Menorahs and paper dreidels. **Ask us all about Hanukah!**

On Friday morning we really enjoyed watching the pantomime, Wizard of Oz. We loved joining in with the all the singing and dancing. **Ask us to tell you all about it!**

In the afternoon we had a very exciting visit from LP Dance in Education. It was especially exciting for us in Reception class as Mrs Prince is Ms Shepherd's big sister! We had a fantastic time travelling around the world and exploring traditional dances. **Ask us to show you at home!**

Phonics/Key Words/Reading at home

This week we have been working hard to apply our knowledge of Phase 2 tricky and High Frequency Words to independent writing challenges. We are so impressed with how confidently the children are approaching new challenges! This week we have completed 1-1 phonics assessments with the children. This information helps to inform our future planning and track progress across the year. As a result we have not read the school reading books this week. All children have a new book and phonics challenges in their book bags tonight.

Our key words this week: he I of it was you

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 19th December

EYFS Christmas Play

Our Christmas play will be held on Thursday 13th December at 9.30am. Tea and coffee will be available before the performance. We will draw our raffle at the end of the performance. All money raised will go towards paying for our outdoor classroom.

No tickets are required for this performance.

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.