



Reception Half Termly Newsletter January 2023

Welcome Back!

We hope you have had a rested Christmas holiday. Keeping ourselves safe continues to be a priority so please keep an eye out for any updates on the school website, Seesaw and our social media. If there is anything you are not sure of please do ask.

Literacy

As we continue our writing journey we will encourage the children are now using the phonics we have taught to write words and simple sentences. We discourage the children from copying or tracing letters, and encourage the formation of letters independently. If you're not sure how to encourage your child at home, please get in touch.

Please spend time each day reading story books; and you could also make up your own! Reading books continue to match the phonics we are teaching, 5 minutes each day will make such a difference.

Mathematics

In maths we are working our way through the White Rose Maths sessions and will be focussing on building 6,7 and 8. Keep an eye out on Seesaw for ideas of activities to carry out at home. We are continuing to subitise and we use 5 frames and 10 frames to support us.

Phonics

We assessed the children's phonic skills before Christmas and have started to teach sessions to ensure all children stay on track. Home challenges that match the phonics your child is being taught have been sent home. Any questions, please ask. We are teaching phase 2 and phase 3.

Notices:

- Read your child's reading book at home for at least 5 minutes every day.
- Please regularly check your child's book bag for letters / check Seesaw for messages.
- This half term there are lots of opportunities for you to come into school – please keep an eye out on Seesaw for the dates. We will be celebrating Chinese New Year, pancake day and Lent, Valentine's day and Mothers' day.

Physical Activity

Reception continue to have a dance session in the hall every Tuesday morning with Laura, our dance teacher and with Mr Smith, our PE coach every Wednesday. Please send in a PE kit for your child.

In addition to this the children have access every day to our outdoor area to develop their gross motor skills.



Our Vision

"Jesus said: Love God,

Love yourself,

Love your neighbour."

Luke 10:27

