Reception Half Termly Newsletter March 2022

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 9 and 10. Keep an eye out on Seesaw for ideas of activities to carry out at home.

Assessment

Seesaw is our assessment tool. We would be grateful if all Reception parents who are yet to sign up would call in to see the teachers with an email address and we can add you. You will then be able to see your child's progress as it happens!

Phonics

We assessed the children's phonic skills before Christmas and have changed the groups. Please see updates on Seesaw for the phonics your child is being taught – we are teaching phase 2, 3 and 4! We will continue to play games to secure phase 1 skills as well. We will add links to games on Seesaw.

Computing

The children are learning how to use our new Chromebooks. iPads are available daily during continuous provision and the interactive boards are available at selected times too.

Physical Activity

Reception continue to have a dance session in the hall every Tuesday morning with Laura, our dance teacher.
In addition to this the children have access every day to our outdoor area to develop their gross motor skills.

Home Challenges:

- Read your child's reading book at home for at least 5 minutes every day.
- Please check your child's book bag for letters

Dates for your diary:

- **Week beginning 14th March – reading and writing workshop. Letters will be sent.**
- **25th March – 2pm – Mothers, Grandmothers and Aunties – come and join us for our Mothers' Day café.**

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