

Reception Autumn Term News



As we draw to the end of a busy term, we would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and share with you highlights from life in Reception.

It is lovely to reflect on how far the Reception children have come during their first term at school. They have settled well, formed new friendships and shown that they are enthusiastic learners. By accessing Google Classroom for their homework, you will have seen how much the children have learned in their phonics lessons. We will collect reading books in before Christmas and there will not be any homework to complete during the holidays, but please support your child with their phonics practice over the holidays, as we will assess the children to see which sounds they can remember at the start of next term. The children have made a fantastic start with their reading, with many of them confidently blending sounds to make words. In maths, we have learned about the numbers to five, looking at different ways of making and representing these numbers. During this term, we have enjoyed our topic 'Under the Sea' and we have also learned about Diwali and Christmas.

Many of the children have enjoyed playing in the Reception outdoor area, which we have developed and redesigned to allow the children to experience the Reception curriculum whilst being active and creative. The delivery of specialist PE sessions by Mr Green has also been a highlight of the children's week.

We were really pleased so many of you were able to join us for our 'Light and Dark' evening at the beginning of November. It was a magical occasion which was enjoyed by everybody.

As we approach the Christmas break, the past few weeks have been a very busy and exciting time. The children have enjoyed learning the songs for our Christmas Singalong and have been taking part in lots of Christmas craft activities.

Looking Ahead

The children will bring their PE kits home at the end of term. As they will continue to have outdoor PE lessons when they return in January and these lessons are an hour long, please ensure that your child's outdoor PE kit contains a warm fleece, tracksuit bottoms and trainers. They should also have an indoor PE kit (white round necked t-shirt and black shorts). Please also check that all coats, hats, gloves and scarves etc. are named for the start of the new term. Don't forget to bring their indoor shoes back too!

We hope you have some wonderful family time over Christmas and thank you for your support over the past term.

Mrs Swift, Mrs Morrison and Ms Laurence