



Reception News 10.01.20

Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back! We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and we wish you all a Happy New Year! All of the Reception staff would like to thank you for the lovely Christmas cards and gifts that we received, we are very grateful. We are now back, settled and ready to begin the Spring term!

We have had a very busy week this week in Reception! In Maths the children have been busy doing some data handing. We have been gathering information and looking at various ways to record it. We've also been busy sorting things into different groups for example by shape, colour or object.

In Literacy we've been focusing on sentence structure and we've been reinforcing the notion that every sentence needs a capital letter at the beginning, finger spaces between each word and a full stop at the end. We spoke a lot about how a sentence is a group of words together that makes sense and the children spent a lot of time thinking of their own sentences.

This week the children have also been so excited to have a whole class circle time where they all got to talk about some of the things that they did over the Christmas break and talk about some of the gifts they received. We were very impressed with how much some of the children had to say and how clearly many of the children described some of their exciting Christmas experiences. It was lovely to hear all about it.

Next week:

- In Maths we will be learning about 3D shape.
- In Literacy we will be continuing to practise writing sentences and will be thinking about and discussing our new topic of 'Animals' beginning with pets.
- **RED** group will be doing show and tell. Our theme this term is 'Animals and Pets'. This can be about a favourite animal or about a pet that is at home or in the family. The children may enjoy talking about a pet that they would like to get in the future. We've had many pictures and videos of things such as dog training, horse riding and information on how to look after a pet.

Reminders:

- Please remember to practise your children's 'bookmark words' with them at home. The children need to learn to read these words to help them to progress with their reading. Can you please return any spare bookmarks that you have at home as we are running low.

At home:

Next week you could ...



- Please begin to encourage your children to do some writing at home. You could encourage your child to write a list or a label or help to write in a birthday card.

We hope you have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Ford, Mrs Hall and all of the Reception Team.
