

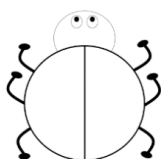
Reception News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been another busy week for us all and we are all looking forward to half term! We are so proud of the progress that the children have made this term and it was a pleasure to speak to lots of you at Parent Consultations on Tuesday and Thursday.

Our highlight of the week, was an amazing trip over to the field for Forest School. Mr Morris showed us the new area that he has been developing and he let us explore. The children were delighted when they found a 'secret path' that led them back to the field.



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In Maths, we have been continuing our learning about numbers to 8. The children have been completing lots of activities such as putting spots on a ladybird in different ways to help them develop composition skills.

In Literacy, we have continued reading "The Ning and the Night Spirits". We enjoyed finding out about the night spirits and how friendly they were. In the story, they held a parade to welcome the spirits back to the village, so we have been learning about parades. We enjoyed watching some videos of different parades in London. The children then were busy making decorations and learning a song for their own parade on Friday afternoon. It was lots of fun!



or ar oo oo

This week, we have introduced the next set of phase 3 sounds. They are oo (long as in moon), oo (short as in book), ar and or. We will be sending home flashcards again today for you to practise these with your children at home.

Home Learning:

- Continue reading 5 times over the holidays
- Spend some time on Reading Eggs and Numbots
- Create a story sack and use your imagination to create a story
- Continue developing fine motor skills
- Spend some time exploring changes in nature
- Have fun!



After half-term:

- In Maths, we will be reinforcing our learning about numbers to 8 including odds and evens.
- In Phonics, we will be learning ur, ow, oi and ear.
- In Literacy, we will be starting our new book 'Super Milly.'
- In topic, we will be starting our learning about Fairytales in preparation for our trip on Wednesday 6th March.
- On Friday, we will visit the library (don't forget to return your book) and we will be doing some more acting in Helicopter Stories before Star Time.

Reminders:

- Please remember to read with your child **5** times each week and record it in their Reading Record. Reading 5 times a week at home will help your child to make progress with their reading.
- Please practise reading and spelling your child's bookmark words.
- Please remember to name all clothing that is sent into school.
- The children have the opportunity to visit the school library every Friday, please remember to return your child's library book so that they can choose another.

Dates for your diary:

- We return to school on Monday 19th February.
- Our school trip to Waddesdon will be on Wednesday 6th March. All children are asked to bring a packed lunch on this day.
- World Book Day is on 7th March - more details to follow shortly.
- The children will attend the Mother's Day shop on Friday 8th March - details will be on Parent Pay.
- Our Reception assembly will be on Wednesday 20th March at 9:05. Parents/carers are invited to come and find out about our trip to Waddesdon.

Requests:

In order to support the children's expressive arts and design skills, we would appreciate any donations of musical instruments that you may have at home and no longer need. In particular, we are looking for microphones, headphones and guitars. In addition, if you have any fun dressing up props such as wigs we would be grateful if you could bring them to the office.



Have a brilliant half-term everyone!

Miss Watkins, Mrs Davis and all of the Reception Team

