

## Reception Newsletter-Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### THIS WEEK...

On Monday we went for a walk around school to see where all the other classrooms are and we were introduced to some of the staff and found out that we have a pond in our school grounds and saw where our dinners are cooked. We even found some very large pumpkins growing in our school vegetable patch!! On Tuesday we recorded our walk in our 'Learning Books'. We drew a picture of things we saw and then labelled them using our phonic knowledge. On Wednesday we looked at our fingerprints and discovered that everyone's are unique and that no one has the same prints. On Thursday we did some Numicon matching. We ordered the Numicon from smallest to largest and linked each one to a number. On Friday we helped the adults to tidy up our outdoor area. We tidied up the pots and tyres and planted new flowers. We have now got to help look after them and keep them alive!!



### EYFS Information Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who came to the information evening on Thursday. I hope you found it useful and informative. For anyone who was unable to attend or if you would like to read over the information in your own time then please visit Venus' class page where I have attached the powerpoint and the handouts.



### Phonics

This week we started our phonics using the scheme 'Read, Write, Inc' which is a very popular and successful phonics scheme used by many schools across the country. Please visit the 'Read, Write, Inc' website for lots of useful videos and information for parents. There is a link for the website on Venus's class page. There will also be a workshop on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 3.30pm where you can find out more information.

On Friday your child will come home with their letter sound sheets for the sounds we have learnt that week. These sheets are to be completed at home and once they are completed keep them in a special folder and keep going over them with your child at home to remind them of the sounds as often as you can. **THESE SHEETS DO NOT NEED TO BE SENT BACK INTO SCHOOL.**



### Stunning Start

Children in Reception can come to school dressed as their favourite fairy tale character on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October to kick start our new topic 'Once Upon a Time' after half term. This will coincide with Year One and Two who have been learning all about fairy tales this half term and so they are going to share all their learning with us and inspire us for which fairy tales we would like to learn about.



### Spare Clothes

Please can parents ensure their child has a pair of spare pants/socks in their school bag for the odd accident that children do have from time to time.



### Family Photos

Thank you for all the family photos sent in. Our family tree looks really lovely!



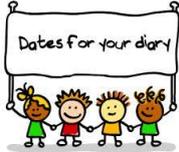
We are already missing a few items of uniform and water bottles. Please could parents check that they have the correct uniform and other items over the weekend?

Many thanks



### Coats

Now the weather is slowing changing please can parents ensure their child comes to school with a coat **every day** and ensure it is waterproof where possible?



**Parents Book Look**-Monday October 8<sup>th</sup>-3.30-4.00pm-Come and have a look at your child's work alongside them.

**Parents Evening** -16th October-4.30-7.00pm-don't forget to book your appointment

**Parents Evening**-19th October-3.45-6.30pm

**Open Day for 2019 Reception intake**-18th October-The school will be open from 9:30-11:30 & 1:30- 3:00 for prospective parents to come and have a look at us in action! I will also be available for a meet and a chat. Please let friends and family know who have a child starting school in September 2019.

Any questions please ask

Have a lovely weekend

Foundation Stage Team