

# Reception Autumn 2 Newsletter

## Communication and Language

Children are strongly encouraged to communicate with other children and adults in the classroom. If your child has any news or celebrations they want to share with the class please upload onto your child's tapestry account

## Literacy

This half term we will be looking at the story 'A Little bit of Winter' and then moving onto 'The Snowman.' Most children can now write cvc words so we will be using our texts to encourage the children to write short captions.

## Physical Development

The children will complete 2 sessions a week one with Mr Fenton and one with Mrs Jennings. One of the sessions will focus on gymnastics. The other session will include activities to support the development of ball skills.



## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Please continue to help your child dress/undress independently and also they should be able to put their own coats on.

We will continue to promote positive relationships with the children and aim to ensure all children are confident speakers in the classroom.

## Understanding the World

We will be looking at the change in season and complete the learning projects 'Why is water wet?' and 'Where does snow go?'



## Phonics

We will continue to learn our letter sounds. We usually learn 3 sounds a week and are focussing on reading cvc words. We are also introducing red words and will send these home to practise. The children have worked really hard with their phonics and are continuing to make really good progress. Thank you for your support at home.

## Numeracy

Children are going to continue their number work to 20 (counting, recognising, ordering numbers). We will also be looking at days of the week and sequencing events.



## Expressive Art and Design

The children have been completing a number of step-by-step drawings. We will continue this to develop the use of different shapes in their drawings. We will also complete art work around our topic.

The children are included in sing time each week. This half term we will also be rehearsing our songs for the nativity!

## Homework/Reading books

Reading books will be sent home this half term. Please return your child's book on a Wednesday and they will be changed by Friday. Please try to read for 5 minutes each night with your child. Please can you also continue to practise sounds with your child for 5 mins each night. New words will also be added to spelling shed regularly.

Reception will be receiving a special visitor in December!

Phonics Workshop  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
3.15pm

'Our First Nativity'  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
2pm & 6pm