

# January/February Newsletter



5<sup>th</sup> Safer Internet Day  
7<sup>th</sup> IEP meetings  
18<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> Half term holidays  
DATE FOR YOUR DIARY  
7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book day

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## January Recap

- ♥ January kick started our new topic: The World of Animals. We learnt about different Polar Animals, read Lost and Found, enjoyed Winter sensory play and made penguin and polar bear art.
- ♥ We also started our communication groups! Thomas, Sepehr, Ryan, Lucia and Adam will mix with some of Sinead's class to learn functional skills and Jessica, Dylan and Katie will develop their communication through themed sensory play activities.
- ♥ We have continued to work hard in our numeracy groups and develop our mathematical understanding through numicon – making patterns, counting, ordering and recognising colours!
- ♥ Towards the end of January a few of us also started using the school gym – it was great fun and we can't wait to improve our fitness levels as the year goes on.

## February Preview

- ♥ I look forward to seeing you all again for our IEP meetings on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February.
- ♥ To start off February, we will be celebrating Chinese New Year through sensory play, arts and crafts and trying Chinese foods.
- ♥ We will also discuss the importance of staying safe online for Safer Internet Day.
- ♥ Moving on from Polar animals we will be learning about Forest Animals connected to the story 'The Gruffalo'.
- ♥ We will also read the story 'The Love Monster', explore the colour red and make cards for Valentines Day.

## Suggested homework

- Pink for Valentines -try mixing paint colours to make new combinations, for example, red and white to make pink.
- Topic work: In class we are making friendship Valentine's cards for each other you could support at home by cutting, colouring and sticking hearts.

## January Book List

Squirrel's New Years Resolutions  
Stick Man  
We're Going on a Polar Bear Hunt  
Messy Morgan's Muddled Weather

