

Reception Spring Newsletter



Dear Parents,

We hope that you have all had a lovely break over Christmas. Thank you very much for the generous gift vouchers and presents you gave us, it was very kind.

We hope your child is enjoying their second term at school. We just wanted to update you on a few things that we will be doing this half-term.

Our topic is 'Celebrations' which follows on from some celebrations we touched on last half-term. We begin by celebrating Percy's birthday and sharing the different ways that the children celebrate their birthdays. This year we are open to new ideas and would really like to find out about the celebrations the children are interested in. If your child has shown interest in any festivals or celebrations that we could learn about please let us know (in the blue Home Learning Journal). We would also like to find out about different festivals and special days you all celebrate at home so please let us know what these are. We really do welcome people in to share experiences, so if you have any cultural traditions you would like to tell us about we would love to hear from you. One of our possible interests is Chinese New Year. Which could include a trip to the Chinese take away and trying lots of different Chinese food!

We are now continuing to introduce new 2/3 letter phonemes. Please continue to share these with your child. It is also important that they practise sounding out words and blending the sounds together to know what the word says. Please reinforce this as you listen to your child read on a daily basis. We really appreciate that parents are giving up their time to come in and help the children to learn the high frequency words (purse words). Please spend a few minutes, a few times a week, practising these words.

The children have made a fantastic start with their handwriting and are working hard at their cursive letters. It is important that they know how to form the letters correctly so that they don't fall into bad habits early on. If possible, encourage your child to have a go at the cursive letters but if they are reluctant please come and see us.

We have been delighted with your entries in the Home Learning Journals. Please continue to share this learning. It is great to hear what your child shares with you and practises at home. If you are finding this difficult or are unsure of what to write then please come and talk to us.

There will be another parents' evening during this half term for you to see the progress your child has been making.

We will carry on with P.E on Thursday mornings, please ensure children have their kit in school. Also please remember to tie back long hair daily.

Please don't hesitate to pop in or make an appointment to see us if you have any questions or concerns.

Many Thanks,

Angela Fairbairn and Susan Jones