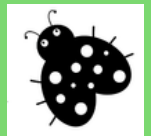




Reception Autumn 2 Newsletter



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,
We hope that you all had an enjoyable and restful half term holiday. It has been a busy and exciting first term of school for Reception. We have loved getting to know the children and have been very impressed with how quickly the children have settled and developed new relationships with staff and their peers. Autumn 2 is always a very exciting half term in school as we have lots of fun exploring our new topics and preparing for our Nativity in December.

Our topics this half term are Celebrations and Space, which the children always thoroughly enjoy. This half term we will be reading stories including; 'Whatever Next' and 'Aliens Love Underpants' linked to our Space topic. We will be finding out what it is like in space and learning about the planets. Our role play area will be changing into a spaceship in the coming weeks! We will also be learning about the Christmas Story and enjoying various Christmas themed activities and crafts as part of our Christmas topic.

WEATHER AND WELLIES!

With the weather beginning to turn cold it is important that all children have a warm/waterproof coat, gloves, a hat and **wellington boots**, as we will endeavour to get outside as much as we can. Please also ensure that every item of your child's uniform, including their hats, gloves and coats are clearly named.

PE

PE days will be changing this half term. Please ensure that PE kits are in school all week. Could we also ask that you ensure PE kits are fully named so that lost kit can be returned as quickly as possible.

PE days this half term:

Ladybird Class: Tuesday and Thursday

Honeybee Class: Wednesday and Thursday



READING

The children are already off to a flying start with their reading. Thank you so much for your support in listening to them read regularly and helping them to learn the sounds and words in their sound books. Your help with this makes a big difference and we really appreciate your support.

This half term we will be collecting decodable books (reading practice books) on a Tuesday and sending new ones on a Thursday. We will be swapping the reading for pleasure books (sharing books) every Thursday.

Although we will only be changing books once a week, please ensure reading books and diaries are in book bags every day so that adults in school can read with your child.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25th November

Reception visit to the Northern Stage to see 'Hey Diddle Diddle'

13th December

Reception Nativity Performance

16th December

Reception Stay and Play

We are very excited to start Star of the Week this half term. Dates were posted onto Tapestry last half term. If you are unsure when your child is Star of the Week, please check with your child's class teacher.

Thank you for all of your support so far this term. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to get in touch either by catching us on the door at home time or ringing/emailing the school office, who will pass on your queries.

With your continued support, I am sure that we will have another successful and exciting half term ahead of us.

Best Wishes,

The Early Years Team