

## Reception Newsletter

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have learnt the sounds j, v, w and x. We have learnt to read and spell words such as **jam**, **vet**, **win** and **mix** and learnt the tricky star words **he** and **she**. Next week, we will be learning more new sounds and tricky words.

Earlier in the week, we sent each child home with a new reading diary. Please use this to sign against each book title so that we know your child has read their book and are ready for a new one. We will aim to change the reading scheme books every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The orange home/school books will still be used for any messages as normal.

This week in Numeracy, we have been working on number recognition, counting on and back and used number lines to find one more than any given number up to 10 then 20.

Our topic work this week centred on the story 'Funnybones' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. The children have enjoyed using chalk to draw skeletons. They have also used collage to create their own skeleton.

You may have noticed your child singing and dancing more than usual at the moment! We have recently started rehearsing for our 'Christmas assembly'. You will be invited to watch our assembly on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am.

**Next week, Miss Mason's class parents will be invited to their first 'Open Door' session on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. The session will begin at 2.30pm and run until 3.00pm. All parents will be asked to wait at the Reception gate as normal whilst the children get ready for home.**

This week we are sending home a 'learning story' sheet for you to complete over the next few weeks with your child. Please record any visits, celebrations, holidays, discoveries etc. along with any new learning that has come out of their experiences. The learning stories will be added to your child's Learning Journey file in school. Please feel free to let us know when you require another sheet.

Finally, we would like to ask that all items of clothing, including coats are clearly labelled with your child's name. Please check your child's school uniform and return any items that have another child's name label.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

Can you retell the  
Funnybones story?

Many thanks  
The Reception team