

Reception Newsletter

Friday 30th November 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Literacy this week, we have learnt the sounds sh, ch, th and ng. The 'th' and 'ng' letter sounds are really tricky for the children and they will need lots of support when learning them. Please remind them to put their tongue between their teeth as they say the 'th' sound. The High Frequency words we have taught and revised this week are – **'her'** and **'you'**.

We are also working very hard to practise forming the letters with a whoops into the letter and a flick at the end. A new letter will be put into your child's handwriting book each week for them to practise forming their letters at home. Please find attached the letters that we have learnt so far and a reminder of how each letter is formed.

In Numeracy this week, we have been busy adding together two sets of objects and making a number sentence using an addition sign + and equals sign =. We have learnt the different words for add: **plus, more** and equals: **same as, altogether**. The children have used objects, their fingers and jottings (dots/marks on paper) to add and find totals. On the reverse of this letter we have provided you with some number sentences to try and answer with your child. If they would like to bring them back into school to show us, we will add them to your child's Learning Journey.

Throughout the week, we have been rehearsing for our Christmas Assembly which will take place on Wednesday 12th December at 9.15am. We are looking forward to entertaining you. Please enter school via the main Visitor Entrance (Mrs Knowles and Mrs Dooley's office). As you look at the stage, RR will be sitting on the left side and RM on the right.

On Thursday 20th December, it is our school carol service at St. John's Church. Unfortunately, once all of the school is assembled in the church there is no room for parents. We will walk to and from the church with our Year 6 Buddies. Each Reception child will hold the hand of a Year 6 child and will walk nearest to the wall as they walk along the footpaths. It would help us if you could talk to your child about road safety and the importance of holding hands and walking sensibly to church. Please ensure that they wear a warm, waterproof coat with a hood and suitable footwear (wellies or boots if it is rainy or snowy). If you have any concerns that your child is unable to manage the walk, please let us know and we can arrange for you to bring them to school at 12 noon.

On Friday 7th December it will be RR's (Mrs Rothwell) 'Friday Bake'. We would like to request that children bring in buns from home to sell them to the rest of the school with the proceeds going to charity. Please could your child bring in home-made or bought buns in a container with their name on. Please remember that we are a **nut-free school**. There will be no Friday bake on Friday 14th December. It will be RM's Friday bake on Friday 11th January.

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 4th December – School Christmas Fayre at 4pm – please bring cakes and buns to sell. We would also like donations of good quality toys / games and the filled festive jam jars.

Wednesday 12th December – Reception Christmas Assembly 9.15am

Wednesday 19th December – Reception/Key Stage 1 Christmas Party. Children can wear their party clothes.


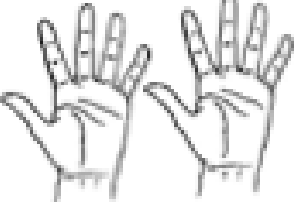
Thursday 20th December - St John's Church (pupils only)



Thursday 20th December – Last day of term


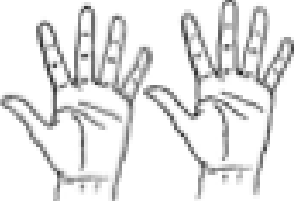
If you do have any concerns or questions do not hesitate to ask Mrs Brook and she will ensure the Reception Team are informed.


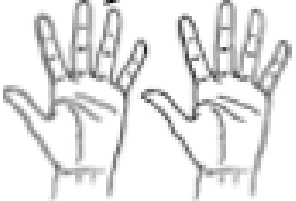
Many thanks, The Reception Team

Try these first, colour the number of fingers to help you:
addition: using fingers

$$6 + 3 = \square$$


$$5 + 5 = \square$$


$$10 + 4 = \square$$


$$9 + 5 = \square$$


Now try these using objects or jottings:

$$3 + 2 = \square$$

$$4 + 4 = \square$$

$$2 + \square = 5$$

$$\square + 3 = 6$$

$$\square = 2 + 1$$