

Reception Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2019

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.

The children have been working very hard to blend the sounds together and have been practising blending the sounds to read words and sentences in their reading book. Please use your child's reading diary to sign against each book title so that we know your child has read their book and are ready for a new one. You are welcome to make a comment to let us know how they got on with their reading at home. 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 11th December at 9.15am.

Next week, Mrs Rothwell's class parents will be invited to their first 'Open Door' session on Tuesday 19th 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.

Thank you for all the Learning Stories from home that we have received so far. We have enjoyed sharing the children's experiences whilst developing skills in speaking and listening. We have enjoyed listening all about visits, celebrations, holidays and discoveries 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, hats, gloves and scarves are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Following on from our learning during enquiry learning, this week's word of the week is: **Skeleton**

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

Can you retell the
Funnybones story?

Many thanks
The Reception team