

Reception Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have learnt the 'ear' and 'air' sounds. We also continued to revise all the two and three letter sounds and the tricky words learnt so far. The children are getting really good at thinking of captions and simple sentences to write themselves. Please encourage your child to have a go at writing a sentence about something they have done at the weekend and then let them bring it in to show us. Keep it simple at first e.g. I went to the shops. Or: We went swimming.

In Numeracy, we have been learning about measuring the length and height of different things. We have used non-standard measurements and introduced the children to centimetres and metres. We have been very busy measuring our heights and comparing it to the height of an emperor penguin. Next week, we will be continuing with measures as we focus on weight. To help with our practical investigations, if possible, please could you find two identical boxes, pots or containers and fill them (with rice, flour or pasta for example) so that one is **heavy** and one is **light** and send them to school on Monday. Please label your containers so we can return them once we have completed this learning.

In our topic work, we have enjoyed becoming experimenting experts. We have been learning about floating and sinking as we predicted whether the objects would float or sink, undertaking our own experiments. We have also been busy exploring freezing and melting and learning about substances that dissolve.

Next week we will be making Valentine's biscuits to sell to the rest of the school to raise money for our Reception enterprise project. We will be selling our Valentine's biscuits next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in the school hall. If your child would like to buy a biscuit then please send in 50p with your child on any of these days.



This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

I can show you some things that are tall and some things that are short.

Following on from our learning about floating and sinking, freezing and melting and dissolving, our word of the week is: **Experiment**

There will be no open door next week. The next open door session will be for Miss Mason's class on Tuesday 3rd March at 2:30pm. Mrs Rothwell's class will have their next 'Open Door' on Tuesday 10th March at 2:30pm.

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

The Reception Team.