

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Literacy this week, we have learnt the sounds s a t and p. These should all be in your child's 'Sound Book'. Each letter has a story. Please encourage your child to re-tell the story to you and practise the sound and action with them each week. Please ensure that your child's Reading Packet, with the Sound Book and Home/School Book enclosed, comes to school each day.

In Numeracy this week, we have been working practically to sort and match objects into sets. We have been finding matching pairs and looking to see if they are the same or different whilst promoting discussion about why their pair might be different. We have also been counting numbers of objects up to ten and recognising numerals. When we count an object, we ask the children to touch it or move it as they say the number. This helps them to count accurately. Next week, we will be comparing amounts and identifying who has the most or least objects.

In our topic work this week, we have been talking about ourselves and finding out about our likes and dislikes. Next week we will be learning all about families and talking about our own family, who is in our family and where we live. Throughout the week we will be creating our own family portraits and would like each child to send a family picture into school for them to look at and talk about. Please send your family photograph via email to [admin@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:admin@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk). Thank you!

We are very pleased with the way in which the children are managing their belongings; however we understand that there are often lots of different things coming into school and going home at night. For this reason please make sure that all items are clearly named. We do not have a 'Lost Property' box in school as we find that **named** items usually find their way back to the correct owners.

We would like to let parents know that unfortunately we cannot give out sweets, cakes or other edible goodies from home, when it is your child's birthday, due to food allergies in school. Please remember that we are a **nut free school**, therefore we ask that you do not put nuts, or food containing nuts, in your child's lunchbox.

Each Friday, one child from each class will take home 'Cheeky Monkey' and one child from each class will take home the 'Time to Shine' board. These will be sent home with different children each week and should be returned to school on Monday. Both of these activities provide excellent opportunities for your child to practise and develop their speech, language and communication skills. Further details are in Cheeky Monkey's Diary and on the 'Time to Shine' board so that when your child has either of these at home, you will know what to do with them. Due to the current Covid restrictions, we will be ensuring that Cheeky Monkey, his bag, diary and Time to Shine board are washed and cleaned thoroughly then quarantined before they go home with the next child. If you do not wish Cheeky Monkey or the class Time to Shine board to go home with your child, please let us know via your child's home/school book.

As we move into the autumn season, we would like to collect any conkers, acorns and pine cones your child may find to add to our autumn display.

This week's week?



is: what can I find at home that starts with the letters I have learnt this

Following our learning about family, our Word of the Week is: **Caring**

Many thanks, The Reception team.

Parent's Comments

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Please could you comment below on how you feel your child has settled into their new class.

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Child's Comments

Could you please fill in your child's answers to the following statements.

The best thing about school is \_\_\_\_\_

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My favourite activity is \_\_\_\_\_

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Any other comments

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