

Reception Newsletter

Friday 19th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have learnt the sounds h, b, f and l. We have learnt to read and spell words such as **tap, dog, cat, sad, tin** and **kick**. We have learnt to read the tricky word **the** and recapped the tricky words **is** and **I**. On the reverse of this letter are all of the words that your child should be working towards reading independently. Throughout the week, we have been encouraging children to label their models and writing captions to go with pictures. Next week, we will continue to learn new sounds and words.

Once your child begins to develop in confidence at the skill of blending, they will be given a book to read at home. This book is fully decodable and can be used to practise the skill of blending the sounds together to help them read each word. They will also bring home a library book each Thursday. This book is a book to share with an adult as they talk about the story, discuss what is happening in the pictures and make predictions of what might happen next. Reading and sharing both books at home will help them to work towards becoming a more fluent reader throughout the year. Please could your child's reading scheme book be kept in their plastic reading packet each day as these books are also shared at school. If you would like any further information on our Little Wandle reading scheme please just ask by writing in your child's home/school book or visit the Little Wandle website at www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk

In Numeracy, we have been playing 'show me' fingers and looking at the different ways that we can use our fingers to make numbers. We have also been learning about one more and one less and used objects to add and take away to find one more than a given number and one less than a given number. We then used a number line to jump on and back to find the one more and one less numbers.

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. We learnt about the different parts of our bodies, what they are called and what they are used for. We then labelled our favourite Funnybones characters using chalk.

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

If you would like your child to enjoy a biscuit on a Friday then please send your child into school with 20p. All proceeds will go towards our school's chosen charities.

We would also be very grateful for any items to put in our Christmas Hamper raffle.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 13th December- Reception Christmas Party. (The children can come to school in their party clothes).

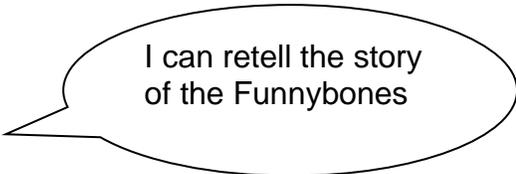
Thursday 16th December – Virtual Whole School Christmas Carol Service

Friday 17th December – Christmas Jumper Day

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

Many thanks

Mrs Rothwell and Miss Mason



I can retell the story
of the Funnybones

Decodable Words	a	is	dad	mum
	an	it	had	but
	as	off	back	put
	at	on	and	him
	if	can	get	
	in	big	his	
	up	not	got	
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