

Reception Newsletter

Friday 4th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have all had a wonderful first week back at school and it has been great to welcome the children back. They have all settled back in well and have enjoyed seeing all of their friends.

In Literacy, we will be consolidating the children's knowledge of the Phase 3 sounds. We will be doing lots of repetition to ensure that the children can build on what they already know and become secure with this phase. We will be practising recognising the tricky words that we have learnt so far so any extra practice with tricky word recognition would be very beneficial. The 2 and 3 letter sounds are catching some children out when they are reading. Most can confidently identify the sounds in isolation e.g. 'ai' 'igh' 'oa', 'air', but are not yet as confident when reading these sounds in words: **rain, night, goat, pair**. Please keep practising blending the sounds to read words in your child's red word box. Could we please ask that you sign your child's reading diary when it has been read at home. Feel free to leave a comment in their reading diary to let us know how they have got on with their book at home.

In Maths this week, we have introduced 3D shapes. We have been learning the shape names: sphere, cube, cuboid, cylinder, pyramid and cone and used mathematical language to describe each of the shape's properties. We have compared the 3D shapes to everyday objects and hunted for any 3D shapes that we could see. You could ask your child to find as many 3D shapes in their home as they can.

This week we have been learning about Pancake Day, where celebrating this day comes from and what this means. During the week we have created our own pancake pictures with our favourite toppings. We wrote a list of ingredients that we would need, then worked together to make our own pancakes. We enjoyed talking about our favourite pancake toppings as we ate our pancakes that we had made.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:

I can name the 3D shapes:

Sphere, cube, cuboid, cone, cylinder, pyramid.

Following on from our learning about Pancake Day, our word of the week is: **Lent**

If you have not yet sent your Enquiry Learning question back then please do so. ☺

If you do have any concerns or questions, do not hesitate to write them in your child's orange home/school book.

Many thanks

The Reception Team