

## Reception Newsletter

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Literacy this week, we have been recapping the 2 and 3 letters sounds and practised finding these sounds within words. We have revised the other tricky words taught so far. We have been practising reading words containing two digraphs e.g., **sheep** or **march** etc. All pupils will soon be bringing home an information sheet to let you know how well they are doing with phase 2 and 3 sounds, if anyone is unsure of their child's next steps please let us know so we can support you. We have learnt the capital letters M and N and practised forming these letters together. In our handwriting sessions, we have been practising writing the 'igh' and 'oa' sounds and wrote the sentence 'The boat sails into the night.' There is a video to help your child practise writing these sounds on Seesaw.

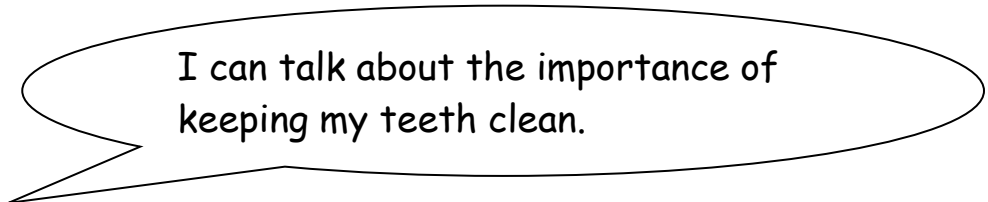
In Numeracy, we have been recapping number bonds to 10. We have been looking at all the different ways we can make 10, using the numicon pieces to help. We have now completed our assessments of the children in their maths work and you will receive a detailed feedback sheet that will include their next steps in their learning within the next couple of weeks.

During our Enquiry Learning sessions we have continued our learning about different jobs including dentist, refuse collector, shop worker and astronaut. We have enjoyed learning the names of all the planets in our solar system, what the solar system looks like and who has travelled there. We have also enjoyed the stories 'Roaring Rockets' and 'Back to Earth with a Bump'.

On Wednesday, we welcomed Mrs Knifton into Reception to talk about her role working in a dental surgery and she gave us lots of good tips about keeping our teeth clean and maintaining good oral hygiene habits. We enjoyed taking part in the teeth brushing activity and learnt some top tips on being teeth brushing experts.

Next week we will be learning about Mother's Day and finding out why some people celebrate this special day and where Mother's Day comes from. We will find out about how Mother's Day was celebrated many years ago and how other countries celebrate Mother's Day differently. We will then be creating portraits of our mums or people who are special to us. Please could a photograph of either mum or someone else who is special to your child be emailed to us at [newsletters@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:newsletters@woodhouse.calderdale.sch.uk). This will help your child create their Mother's Day portrait.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:



I can talk about the importance of keeping my teeth clean.

Following on from our learning about space this week, our word of the week is: **Gravity**

Many thanks  
The Reception Team