

Reception Newsletter

Friday 24th February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been great to welcome the children back into school this week following our half term holiday. The children have all done a great job as they have remembered their routines and have enjoyed seeing all of their friends.

In Literacy, we have been consolidating the children's knowledge of the Phase 3 sounds. We have been doing lots of repetition to ensure that the children can build on what they already know and are becoming more secure within 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.

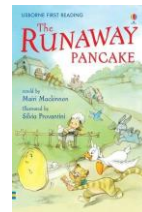
In Numeracy, we have introduced the children to the numbers 9 and 10 and looked at the numbers one more and one less than numbers up to 10. We have practised forming the numbers 9 and 10 using the number formation rhymes to help. We have been using our fingers to find the different ways of making 9 and 10 and found numbers within 9 and 10 that add together to make up these numbers e.g., 5 and 4, 3 and 6 etc).

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. Please click on the link below if you would like to share the pancake day song that we have been singing this week with your child.

[Pancake Day song](#)

I can tell you how to make a pancake
with my favourite topping.

This week's 'Talking Topic' is:



We have enjoyed sharing our class reader this week 'The Runaway Pancake.'

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