

Reception Newsletter

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Literacy this week, we have been recapping the sounds **s, a, t, p, l, n, m, d, g, o, c, k** and learnt our new sounds **ck, e, u** and **r**. We have been practising putting these sounds together to blend words e.g., sat, pin, tap etc. Please encourage your child to continue to practise instantly recognising these sounds which can be found in their blue sound book. We have been learning how to form the letters which can be found on your child's handwriting sheets. Each week, two new sounds will be added inside for them to practise forming the letters at home.

In Maths this week, we have been comparing and ordering objects by their mass and used the mathematical vocabulary 'heavy' and 'light.' The children practised using the objects to compare their weights on the balance scales and found out that the heavier objects are lower on the balance scales and the lighter objects are higher. We found out that when objects have the same mass, the scales are balanced. Next week we will be comparing and ordering objects by their capacity.

In our topic work this week, we have been learning about the season of autumn and enjoyed looking for signs of autumn and what this means. We enjoyed exploring autumn on our autumn walk around the school grounds and explored with clay as we made our own clay hedgehogs. Next week we will be learning about hibernating animals and their habitats.

Please click on the link below to share this week's autumn song with your child.

[autumn song](#)

This week's 'Talking Topic' is: I can tell you about the changes taking place in autumn.

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

Our class reader this week is: **The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson**



Thank you for attending our Early Years Foundation Stage information evening this week and it was great to see you there. We hope you found the evening informative and if we can do anything else to support you or your child with their learning throughout this year, please do let us know.

If you do have any concerns or questions, do not hesitate to write them in your child's orange home/school book. As a school, we respond to all questions and concerns immediately. However, please refrain from contacting other parents about concerns you may have with their child. Bring any concerns to the class teacher for this to be dealt with in school.

Many thanks

Miss Mason, Miss Vine and Mrs Rothwell