

Reception Newsletter

Friday 9th October 2026

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 red sound book.

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 walk to Woodhouse Park and explored with clay as we made our own clay hedgehogs. Next week we will be learning about hibernating animals and their habitats.

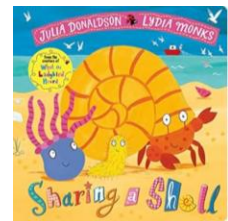
Please click on the link below to share this week's autumn song with your child.

[autumn song](#)

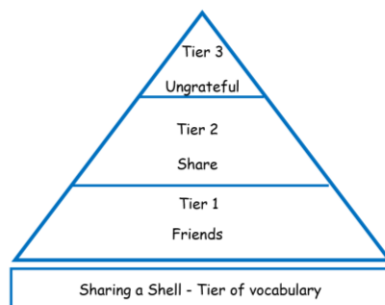
This week's 'Talking Topic' is: I can tell you about the changes taking place in autumn.

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

Our class reader this week is: **Sharing a Shell**



Here are the key words below that we have been exploring with the children this week during our class reader sessions.



We would like to invite you to be our “mystery reader” in Reception! This is a lovely opportunity for you to come into your child’s class and share one of your child’s favourite stories from home with the children for 10–15 minutes. The children always enjoy the excitement of a surprise guest and listening to different stories being read aloud. If you would like to take part, please let us know via your child’s orange home/school book so we can arrange a time that works for you. We look forward to welcoming our mystery readers into class soon but please remember to keep this as a surprise for your child.

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.

Many thanks

Mrs Molloy, Miss Vine and Mrs Rothwell