



# Reception end of Autumn 1 Newsletter

21.12.23



This newsletter is to celebrate and share some of the learning that Reception has been doing over this half term.

Our topic has been **Fairytales – Once Upon a Time . . . . and Christmas!**



We have had a very busy and exciting half term! The children have been learning lots and enjoying their experiences at school.

We baked Gingerbread men, pancake bears and decorated a Pudsey bear biscuit. We learnt how to measure ingredients, roll, mix, spread and chop/cut.

We have been exploring the composition of numbers and learning how to make different amounts using our fingers, numicon, objects, coins and the number line.

We have been exploring fairytale stories through role play and construction. Learning how to share, work collaboratively, use story language and problem solve.

We tasted porridge and compared how many children liked it and did not like it, we created the characters from the story using playdough and the creative area.



We have been learning about different celebrations such as Christmas and Diwali. creating rangoli patterns, cards and divas.

We visited Camrose Baptist church and learnt about the nativity story.



We visited the local Nursing home in our community and sang Christmas songs to the residents.



## Celebrating Awesome Attendance~

Congratulations to the following children in Reception who have achieved awesome attendance this half term at 93% or above.

| RMS                 |         | RSN             |                  |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------|
| Joseph<br>Elizabeth | Amira   | Aisha<br>Amyr   | Nicholas         |
| Denis               | Patrick | Sama<br>Nazrana | Stefania         |
| Achim<br>Noah       | David   | Linia<br>losua  | Noah             |
| Mohamed             | Sarah   | losif<br>Rukaya | Mathias          |
| Sudais              | Robert  | Muhammad        | Hanzala          |
| Tulsi               | Vianna  | Ruqayyah        | Reda             |
| Clarissa            | Kevin   | Daria           | Linda<br>Emanuel |
| Heisi               | Salome  | Rebecca         | Mahdia           |
| Aliya               | Diana   | Marwa           | Harun<br>David   |

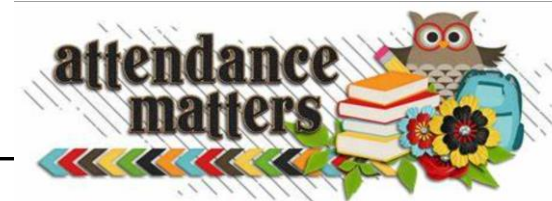


Congratulations to you all - keep it up, let's hope that we have even more children next half term! 😊

**Attendance news for Spring 1:** We decided to start our attendance treats from Spring 1 as we recognise that children catch lots of bugs during the Autumn term of starting school – letter to follow explaining all the details. The exciting treat at the end of every half term is for all children who achieve at least 93% or above attendance.

**Let's work together to improve the attendance of all the Reception children.**

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| 95% | 47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR<br>8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days    | <b>ATTENDANCE MATTERS</b><br><br>WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?<br><br><b>BE SMART BE THERE!</b><br><small>Percentages based on 190 academic days</small> |
| 90% | 95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR<br>16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day   |   |
| 85% | 142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR<br>24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days |   |
| 80% | 190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR<br>32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days |   |



The following children have been demonstrating our **learning behaviours** in school, well done!

**RMS:** Terence has been an 'exploring elephant' exploring some different learning activities inside and outside.

Joseph has been a 'link and learn' lion making links with his learning.

Tulsi has been a 'safe snake' she has been holding the scissors correctly and safely.

Denis has been a 'persevering parrot' he has been trying his best with his learning, he keeps trying and doesn't give up.

Billy has been a 'proud peacock' he has been proud of his learning.

Amira has been a 'creative chameleon' she has been creating models, pictures and paintings using her own ideas.

Gabrielle has been a 'go for it gorilla' she has been having a go at lots of different activities.

Vianna has been a 'kind crocodile' she has been helping her friends in the classroom.

**RSN:** Sama has been an 'exploring elephant' exploring all the different learning activities inside and outside.

Muhammed has been a 'link and learn' lion making links with his learning.

Mahdia has been a 'safe snake' she has been holding the scissors correctly and safely.

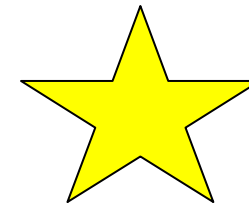
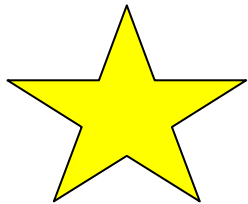
Iosif has been a 'persevering parrot' he has been trying his best with his learning, he keeps trying and doesn't give up.

Silviu has been a 'proud peacock' he has been proud of his learning.

Linia has been a 'creative chameleon' she has been creating models, pictures and paintings using her own ideas.

Noah A has been a 'go for it gorilla' he has been having a go at lots of different activities.

Nazrana has been a 'kind crocodile' she has been helping her friends in the classroom.



### Our Learning behaviours



## Reminders

- Remember to log onto your child's Collins e-book account and support your child to read their book – all logins are at the front of your child's reading record, please see a member of staff if you're having difficulty logging on.
  - Please support your child to learn to read their tricky words once they know their words then they will get a stamp and a prize.
- All reading for pleasure library books will be changed every Friday, please ensure that your child has their book in their bag ready to choose another book to share with you at home. All extra Phonics books will be changed every 2 weeks on a Thursday.
- RMS and RSN PE days are every Thursday - please ensure that your child comes into school dressed in their PE kit on this day.
- Please email any photos of places you visit to Jenni and mark for the attention of Miss Stephens or Mrs Nedyalkov we would love to see them and it provides opportunities for your child to share what they have been doing at home.

We're very proud of all your children and how they've progressed over the Autumn term they really are a credit to you all!

Thank you for your continued support, Reception Team ☺

Have an amazing Christmas break spending time with all your family and friends, we wish you all a very happy new year!

**Coming Soon** . . . . . In January we will be having a dinosaur workshop where we will be meeting a real life T-Rex! ☺ We will be planning a local trip to post box to post a letter home to you and to have a walk around the local area to look at the buildings and environment around us.

Our topic next half term will be **People Who Help us..**

**Our story time bear Bertie will continue to come home with different children every Friday to spend the weekend with them to promote reading for pleasure.**

**Our class Maths monster that will begin to choose a child to spend the weekend with them to practise their Maths learning.**

**Parent Workshops next half term:** There will be a children's centre Parent coffee morning on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan @ 9am and an Emotions workshop on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan @ 9am please add these dates to your diary, we hope you can all attend. Parents evening will be happening in Spring One.