



Year R Class Newsletter

Friday 7th December 2018

Believe Grow Achieve

Dear Parents

We have been delighted with how the children have been progressing over the last few weeks. They have been so independent at showing us what they can do with the skills they have learned, particularly with regard to reading, writing and number.

Big Maths

In Big Maths and around the classroom, we have been working on calculating, learning how we can combine two groups to find a total. We are also using our fingers to solve calculations. A really good way to practise this is to use two dice when playing board games

Phonics

Mrs Faulkner's group have started reading ditties and are now bringing these home. They are expected to read these independently. We want them to read as many words as possible without sounding them out.

Mrs Field and Mrs West's group are doing amazingly at using their Fred fingers to write words. We have nearly learned all the sounds including the 'special friends' sh, ch, th, ng and nk. We have also started reading word cards!

Sharing Afternoon & Tapestry

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to this half term's sharing afternoon. If you were not able to and would like us to send your child's learning journey home for a few days, please just let us know and we will pop it in their book bag. Your child's learning journey is a valuable record of their progress over their Reception year. They love to look at it and talk about their learning with us, but more so with you!

We hope you are all also enjoying viewing your child's online learning journey via tapestryjournal.com. Access to Tapestry will remain open until the end of next week. If you need any assistance accessing Tapestry or have any questions about the online journal please do ask.

Junk

Next week, we are going to be setting up a Santa's workshop and post office. We would be grateful for some boxes (cereal box size at the largest) and old wrapping paper to put presents in to wrap.

Milk

As your child turns 5 they are no longer entitled to free milk in school. If you would like your child to have milk in school, please check they are signed up on <http://www.coolmilk.com/>. You will need to pay when your child has had their birthday.

Did You Know...? Slips

We are loving the amount of did you know slips we are getting in to school. The children are so excited to share them and it is wonderful to have your contributions to their learning journeys as we know so much learning happens outside of school. As the seasons change and we get ready for Christmas, it would be lovely to hear what your child notices about this special time of year.

Did you know...?

"Lily told us about how Christmas is Jesus' birthday and is excited to give out her Christmas cards to celebrate with everyone."

A Midwife Crisis! – Wednesday 12th December

The performances will be on Wednesday 12th December at 1.45pm and 6pm. For both performances, there is a limit of 2 tickets per family. You must have tickets if you would like to attend. To enable the children to perform without interruptions or noise, pre-school children cannot come to these performances, however they are more than welcome to attend the dress rehearsal on Tuesday 11th December at 1.45pm. Playgroup and KS2 will also attend this performance. Child should arrive in school for the evening performances between 5:15-5:30pm. To allow for cleaning, the hall will be open for parents from 5:30pm.

If you have any questions about any aspects of this letter or about any aspect of school please do not hesitate to get in touch with either of us via e-mail

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Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs West and Mrs Field