

Reception's Class News

Classwork

What a fantastic two weeks! The children have settled in beautifully, learnt many new routines and made lifelong friends. We really can't tell you enough how proud we are of our Reception class and it feels like they have been part of the school for quite a while! Mrs Gornell was very impressed with their behaviour in assembly last Friday and we have had quite a few compliments from parents of children higher up the school. In phonics we have been learning five new sounds over the last two weeks s, a, t, p, and i. The children have used their fingers to draw them in the air, on each other's hands and backs, as well as repeatedly writing them on whiteboards. We have reiterated the sounds, sang songs about them, played games with them and thought about words that begin with those sounds. Next week our main focus will be introducing segmenting and blending.

In Maths we have focused on the numbers 0-10 and have been developing number recognition, ordering numbers and choosing the correct number to match the amount of objects. Again we would appreciate any time that you could spend revising what the children have learnt over the last two weeks. Next week we will practise numbers 0-20 and continue grouping and counting objects from a larger group. We really have been busy!

Rewards

Last week's **Star of the Week** was Jamie Abernethy for independently creating lots of fantastic pictures and constructions in our activity time! This week in assembly Harry Hughes was awarded star of the week for fantastic reading and practising his phonics sounds. Well Done!

Our **Behaviour Award** was awarded to Brooke Flanagan for being a great example following all of our golden rules. This week Helana Cunningham received this award for always playing cooperatively and being kind to her new friends. Well Done!

Exciting News

We have elected our Reception school councillors. All the children took part in a blind vote and after the counting we are proud to elect Zuzanna and Charlie Wood. Congratulations and good luck for your first council meeting!

Things to do at home:

We would be grateful for any time that you could spend revising what we have done this week including our phonics sounds and practising numbers 0-20. We also ask that you read with your child as much as possible. We change our reading books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Water bottles

We provide the children with milk and water during our morning snack time and there is drinking water provided throughout the day. We have noticed that some children prefer having a water bottle in school that they can keep returning to without having to ask us to pour water out for them. If your child would like to bring a water bottle in, can you please clearly label it.

PE

We have had our first two PE lessons with our PE teacher Tony. We had great fun learning to pass and dribble with the football and playing games such as Tiggly Scarecrow! Thank you to all the parents who have provided their child with a PE kit. If you have not yet sent one in can you please do this as soon as possible. We will send PE kits home at the end of each half term. Can we politely remind all parents to please clearly label all parts of their child's uniform, including coats. We have 3 cardigans left in the classroom which are not labelled, if you are missing a cardigan please come to see one of us.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to come and talk to us we are available at the end of the day when the children have gone home.

We would like to thank you for your continued support.
Miss Gordon and Mrs Browne