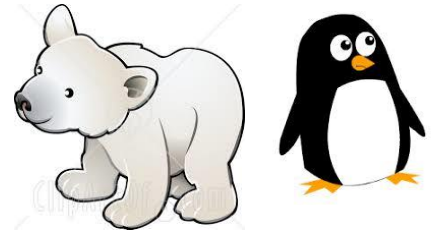




## Reception Newsletter November 2024



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you for all of your support and for your delightful children who really are a credit to you all. They are all doing so well, making good progress and enjoying their learning. This half term our topic is Winter Wonderland. We will be covering the following areas...

### **Understanding the World**

We will be learning about how Hindu's celebrate Diwali.

We will be learning about ice melting.

We will be investigating how polar bears keep warm.

We will be learning about the different animals that live in the Arctic and the Antarctic.

### **Literacy**

We will be practising letter formation and letter sounds and blending them together to read and write words.

The children will be practising their names with correct letter formation.

The children will write simple three letter words.

Some children will start to write simple sentences.

We will be playing in Santa's grotto and writing good lists and labels for presents.

We will be writing for different purposes including a letter to the zookeeper.

Drawing club, making marks, making conversation and making maths.

### **Mathematics we will be...**

*Representing the numbers 1,2,3,4,5*

*Linking the numeral 1-5 with its cardinal value*

*Subitising amounts*

*Composition of numbers 1-5*

*Spatial awareness and positional language*

*Learning the properties of 2D shapes*

*Counting forwards and backwards to 5*

*Learning about one more and one less*

*Representing 5 in different ways*

*Counting items carefully, using one to one correspondence.*

*Comparison of numbers*

### **Creativity**

We will be using different textures for collage.

We will be drawing penguins and polar bears.

We will be experimenting with colour mixing.

We will be making different Christmas crafts.

Making own stamps to print with.

### **Personal, Social, Emotional Development**

We will be learning about how we are all good at different things.

We will be learning about how we are all special.

We will be learning about families and homes.

We will be learning about how to stick up for ourselves.

### **Reading**

Please ensure that your child's reading books and diaries are in their bag every day. Your child's books will be changed on different days, and we cannot change their book if they do not return the one, they have at home.

Please ensure that you write in their diary, so we know how your child is doing at home.

Please remember to look on the school website to see what your children have been up to.

### **Reminders and requests**

Please send your child with a bottle of water each day. Milk is provided by school, please register online. It is free until your child turns five.

Please **do not** allow your child to bring toys into school, this is to avoid any upset when they become lost or broken.

Now that the school field is wet, please don't allow your child to run on the school fields in the morning, this is to avoid bringing mud into the classroom on their shoes.

Please ensure that all of your child's clothes are labelled. We had a pile of unnamed clothes left at the end of last term. They are now in the blue lost property boxes at the back of school if you have lost anything.

Children are welcome to bring in sweets for their birthdays to share with their friends. If your child has a special dietary requirement you may wish to provide several treats that we can hand out as an alternative.

Thank you for your continued support, please come and ask if you have any queries.

### **Dates for your diary**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Reception and KS1 disco 6.15-7.15.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity Play 9.30 am.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity Play 9.30am

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party

Thank you. Kind regards, Reception Team

