

## Reception Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> November 2020

This week we listened to the story 'Naughty Bus' and discussed what naughty means. On Wednesday morning our classroom was very messy and we thought that the naughty bus had come off the book during the night and untidied our classroom. We decided to make wanted posters to find the naughty bus. We are beginning to use our phonics knowledge to write simple words such as bus, big, red and bad.

In phonics we have been learning the sounds 'g-g-g' and 'o-o-o'. We also learned the word 'the'. Please keep practicing reading at home with your child and write a comment on their reading diaries.

In maths we have been learning how to describe circles and triangles using mathematical language such as straight/curved sides and corners. We looked at Kandinsky's concentric circles and stained triangles to inspire us to create pictures out of shapes.

On Remembrance Day, we discussed why we wear poppies and we made our own poppies using a variety of resources.

During our circle time we watched two videos about Diwali kindly sent by Hari's and India's families. We also made rangoli patterns and Diwali cards.

In Forest School, we have continued looking at seasonal changes. We also have been doing bark rubbing and looking at different patterns.

### This week's Makaton sign is:

Thank you



### This week's key vocabulary is:

- naughty
- traffic

### Home learning:

- Please watch the video on Tapestry explaining the home learning focus for this week.
- Practise reading and writing at home.

**We do expect all children to complete their home learning every week.**



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**NOTICES:**

**P.E.** – This week we have started our P.E. lessons. On your child’s P.E day they should wear a grey tracksuit (trousers and jumper) and trainers.

<b>Holly Class</b>	<b>Willow Class</b>
Thursday	Friday

**School Uniform and Shoes** – We do understand that your child may wear wellies when walking to school if it is raining however we do expect your child to change to their school shoes when entering their classroom. Please ensure that your child is wearing their full school uniform every day.

**Reading folder** – Children should bring their reading folder to school every day. Books of interest are changed every Thursday and we read with the children throughout the week.

**Packed Lunches** – Please be aware that we are a nut and sesame free school due to allergies. Please do not send any products containing sesame or nuts in your child’s packed lunch.

**Illness** – If your child has any of the three Covid-19 symptoms (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of smell or taste) they need to self-isolate for 10 days or return to school with a negative test result (send a copy of the result to the office).

We thank you, as always, for your continuing support.  
Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Willow Class – Miss Dias  
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