

Reception Newsletter

26th November 2020

This week we listened to the story 'Who sank the boat?' We discussed why the boat sank and we investigated floating and sinking. When drawing their story maps most children attempted to use their phonics knowledge to write CVC words such as 'sun' and 'pig'.

In Phonics, we learnt the sounds 'u' and 'b' and the tricky word 'go'. As your child learns more sounds and words it is important to read at home every day with your child and write a comment in their reading diaries every time you listen to them reading. If your child finds it tricky to blend, please play oral blending games at home (watch the oral blending video on Tapestry).

In maths, we have been learning all about the number four. We explored different ways to represent the number four using cubes, objects, numicon and numerals. We also used a number frame to investigate one more and one less than four.

During our circle time, we have been playing the game 'I pack my bag'. We created a scenario such as going on a beach holiday, going camping or travelling by boat and the children had to think of items related to the scenario to pack in their bag. This game helps with developing vocabulary and memory as the children had to repeat all the items previously mentioned by their friends.

In forest school, we have been talking about what animals eat and doing a scavenger hunt.

Willow class have been busy earning stars on Doodle Maths and have won this week's trophy!

This week's Makaton sign is:



This week's key vocabulary is:

- Sink
- Float

Doodle Maths Star of the Week:

Holly Class: Imogen

Willow Class: Ben



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.



NOTICES:

Towels – We are in need of two/three bath towels for reception. If you can spare one for us please get in touch.

Doodle Maths- Please encourage your child to sign up to doodle maths where they can practice their maths skills independently. We will be giving out weekly certificates for children who win the most stars in their class.

Scooters/bikes – We kindly ask you that your child wears a helmet when riding their scooter/bike to school.

P.E. – On your child's P.E day they should wear a grey tracksuit (trousers and jumper) and trainers. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is named.

Holly Class	Willow Class
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 into 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.

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