

Reception Newsletter

29th November 2019

Things we have been doing:

- ✚ Read 'Whatever Next' and wrote about the objects and food we would take on a trip to the moon
- ✚ Showed our teachers the phonemes we know and words we can blend together
- ✚ Found one less than 5 using five and tens frames
- ✚ Wrote ten things we would take into space
- ✚ Continued to enjoy our indoor and outdoor space stations
- ✚ Explored facts about space
- ✚ Trained in our space camp obstacle course
- ✚ Counted pom pom aliens
- ✚ Measured the distance moon rocks can roll
- ✚ Built space rockets
- ✚ Created playdough aliens
- ✚ Relished using our small world space station
- ✚ Practised forming our letters in moon sand

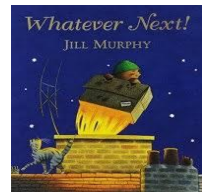
Walk to the post box in Foley Road



We will be having a trip to the post box on Friday 13th December at 9:30 where we will post holiday cards. Could you please send in an addressed envelope with a stamp.

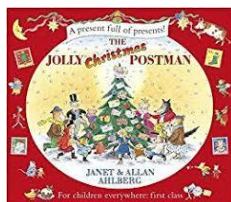
If you would like to volunteer to help us on our trip could you please sign up on our sign-up sheet outside Willow Class. Please talk to a member of the Reception team if you have any questions.

This week we read:



The children loved reading about Little Bear and his adventure to the moon.

Week commencing 2nd December we will be reading:



We will be reading 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' by Janet Ahlberg and Allan Ahlberg. If you can please share the joys of this story at home and discuss sending letters, emails and other messages to family and friends.

Collecting children after school

The children enjoy other members of your families and friends collecting them after school. Please do remember to inform a member of the Reception team or the office if someone besides the nominated adult is collecting.

Thank you.

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Next week we will be:

- ✚ Reading The Jolly Christmas Postman and writing Christmas cards to post home
- ✚ Discussing time especially our school day and getting ready for school
- ✚ Creating playdough elves
- ✚ Learning about and sharing our own Christmas traditions
- ✚ Challenging ourselves to see how many activities we can do in a minute e.g star jumps
- ✚ Developing our North Pole role play
- ✚ Writing on a giant envelope to the North Pole
- ✚ Measuring the weight of packages for the Jolly Postman
- ✚ Designing our own holiday wrapping paper
- ✚ Fishing for letters in our water tray
- ✚ Revisiting the phonemes ch, qu, ng and nk

This week please:

Read with your child for five minutes a night. Talk about the pictures and the story they have read so far. Please write a comment in the reading journal.

Talk about time with your child, particularly times when they get up, leave home to go to school, go to bed or have a club etc. Include discussing birthdays and special events and looking at calendars and diaries.

Please help your child to practise blending CVC (consonant, vowel, consonant) words, e.g. peg, sam, dad, lip.

A reminder that we are holding a phonics workshop for Reception parents on Thursday 5th December at 3.30pm. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Library Books

The children are enjoying the opportunity to visit the library and pick a wonderful book to read.

The books should be returned to school on Wednesday mornings. Library books will only be changed when the original book is returned. If your child wants to keep it for a further week that is fine, but they cannot take out a new book.

Thank you to our parent helper librarians!

Outside PE and lunch time clubs

Please can you ensure that your child has tracksuit bottoms in school for outdoor PE and lunch time clubs.

Christmas Performance

Our Christmas performance is performed on the stage; please can you ensure that your child has a pair of plimsolls in school for this event, thank you.