

# Reception Class Round-Up Friday 14 January 2022



### Some of the lovely things the children have been doing...

We've started our topic 'Hot and Cold' and used the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers as our focus text. We have written personal responses to the story, labelled a penguin and learned some interesting penguin facts.

Our in-class igloo has provided great opportunity for imaginative role play. We have looked at videos of arctic animals and started to talk about how they survive in the extreme cold. We're working on a class display of penguins chilling in the arctic and watched how baby penguins are looked after by their parents.

In handwriting we have introduced cursive  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  to complete Georgia Pig's up and over letter family.

In maths we have introduced time. We have been linking activities to times of the day and night. We have been learning the days of the week, months of the year and the seasons.

We have talked about our dreams and goals for the new year and displayed these in class.

#### Some of the things the children will be doing in the coming weeks...

We will be exploring numbers 6,7, and 8 in maths. We will be comparing numbers and investigating composition.

In handwriting we will be introduced to cursive  $\dot{\lambda}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{N}}$  part of 'Rupert the white sheep' straight line letter family.



Harriet the Cow

#### Meet the Hemispheres Think Write Characters



Georgia the Pig



Rupert the White Sheep



Zac the Grey Sheep

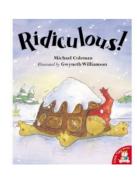


Pippa the Rabbit



Our focus texts in literacy will be 'A Little bit of Winter,' and 'Ridiculous.'

We will be writing captions, completing sentences and completing sequencing activities. We will be learning more about animals that hibernate.





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### In phonics we will be introducing single sounds...

### Introduced digraphs - oi, ow, er

### and trigraphs - ear, air, ure

We be securing phase 3 sounds during the coming week.

#### How to help your child at home...

- Reinforce digraphs/trigraphs introduced at school
- Practise cursive letters in name writing reinforce capital letters at the start of first and last names
- Practise saying the days of the week and months of the year in order
- Look for signs of winter and talk about how the seasons change
- Practise identifying numbers in real life contexts
- Explore ways to make 6, 7 and 8

#### What's coming up/notices/ information...



The children have now all been given their details to access 'Bug Club.'. If you haven't already, we do recommend spending a bit of time exploring this with your child.

Some children have asked if they can bring in cuddly penguins and polar bears to display in class. This is a great idea to support our topic work, so feel free to send them in.

Freshwater Theatre Company will be coming to school on Friday 21 January to take the children on an exciting winter adventure through drama, role play and storytelling.



