



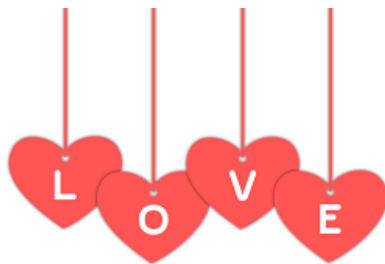
Reception Class Round-Up

Friday 11 February 2022



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

We have been learning about Chinese New Year traditions and celebrations. Dragons and tigers have inspired our learning. We've written personal responses to dragon poetry and thought about what animal we'd like to come round for tea! In preparation for Valentine's day, we've created individual love potions and written love messages.



In handwriting we have introduced cursive letters *m* and *r*. These are all part of Rupert the white sheep short, straight line letter family.

In maths we have been ordering and comparing numbers to 10 and exploring the concepts of 1 more and 1 less. We have also revisited 2d shape.

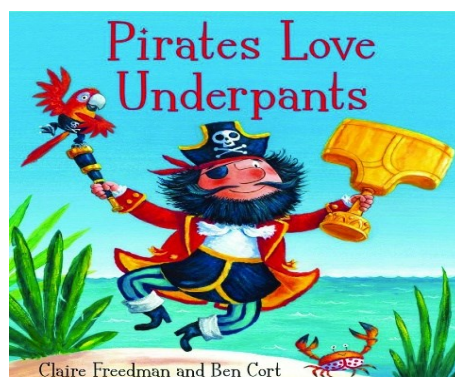
We have been learning about what it means to have a **growth mindset** and practically exploring ways we can develop and use this in our attitudes to learning.

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

Next week will be exploring number bonds to 10 in maths. Our focus text in literacy will be 'Stick Man' and we'll be writing labels, captions and exploring rhyme.



After half term, we will be starting an exciting new topic all about **Pirates and Mermaids** and setting sail on some new learning adventures. We will have daily 'treasure challenges' and even finding out why pirates love underpants!





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In phonics we will be introducing single sounds...

nk as in drink
sk as in tusk
lp as in help
lk as in milk

ft as in soft
lt as in salt
lf as in self
pt as in swept

How to help your child at home...

- Please clarify sounds that are mispronounced such as th (often said as f)
- Encourage the children to blend words when reading together
- Explore rhyming words
- Look closely at letter size and position when practising cursive writing
- Encourage the children to keep a simple holiday diary to share on their return to school. This could be a few photos or scrap book type journal
- Practice writing numbers 0-10, correcting any reversals
- Compare sizes of familiar objects using simple mathematical language

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

If you have anything at all that might enhance our class pirate topic, please send into school after half term.

