

# Reception Class Round-Up

Friday 19 October 2018



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

'Little Rabbit Foo Foo' has been a huge success in Reception. We've had great fun rereading the text and exploring how the characters feel. We've considered other creatures that could be scooped up by the naughty rabbit and designed our own 'goonie'. In handwriting we have been learning to form cursive *b* and *k*.

In maths we have continued to practise forming numbers and have now have learned how to form all numbers 1-10. We have started to learn to read o'clock times and matched daily routines to times in the day.

We have all enjoyed forest school with Pathfinders pre-schoolers. The children have been introduced to simple mapping and looked for signs of life in leaf piles. They've also had fun digging in the mud pit, climbing the tyre frame, playing in the mud kitchen, rolling in the tunnel and climbing up to the play house.



In our 'Protective Behaviours' work we have explored our early warning signs and created an individual 'network' hand of people we know we can talk to if we feel scared. The work the children have completed has been sent home – please ask them about it.

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## Some of the things that the children will experience in the coming weeks...

Our topic after half term is celebrations. We will be learning about family celebrations such as birthdays, weddings and christenings. We will also be finding out about festivals of light and Christmas of course.



In maths we will begin to compare numbers identifying the biggest and smallest in a set. We will be counting on and back from given numbers and introducing simple addition and subtraction. We will be exploring length and height using the language associated with comparing and measuring.

## In phonics we have been introduced to sounds...

j z w v y x qu

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

- Practise counting to 20 and beyond
- Practise writing numbers 0-10
- Practise writing first and last names – try to use the cursive letters we've learned this half term
- Visit the library – share new and familiar stories

## Other notices/information...

- To support our work with our topic 'Celebrations' please send in any photos of the children at birthdays, christenings etc. We will be making a class celebrations album.
- Soon after half term, we will be casting our Nursery/Reception nativity play. Children will be bringing home scripts with lines to practise. This is an excellent opportunity for pupils and I'm hopeful many will be keen to take a speaking part.
- It was great to see everybody at the parents' consultation meetings this week. Thank you for your support so far and for helping the children get off to a great start this year.

