

# Reception Newsletter

10<sup>th</sup> November 2023



Welcome back!

We have had a lovely week back, seeing all the children after their first holiday.

This week we have been looking at how we celebrate and some of the festivals of light. We have been making birthday cards, thinking about special times at home and making firework pictures. Today we have been making candles to remind us that lots of festivals use lights or candles as an important part of the celebrations. Next week we will be making some tealights to help us remember.

Next week in Talk4Writing we will be carrying on with our new story – 'Let me come in'. This week we have been learning the story and making our story maps. We will then be looking at different ways to make our own stories.

In maths this week, we have been looking at numbers to 3. We have been practising forming these correctly, but it would be really helpful to practise this at home if you have some time. We have also started using mathematical terms like 1 more and 1 less.

## Next Week:



We will be looking at celebration foods and making festival lights.

In Literacy we will be continuing our new Talk4Writing story and we are practising holding our pencils and forming letters correctly.

In Maths we are looking at composition of the numbers 1, 2 and 3 and looking at shapes.

## Just a few reminders:

### PE Kits

We have been asked if the children need an outdoor PE kit. We are still doing PE in the school hall at the moment so they will not need an outdoor kit until the summer term.

### Labels

Thank you very much for all the items of clothing that is clearly labelled. We have had a few jumpers without names of them in the classroom and it seems that some of the labels are falling off. As a precaution, it might be worth putting your child's name on the label in addition to any label.

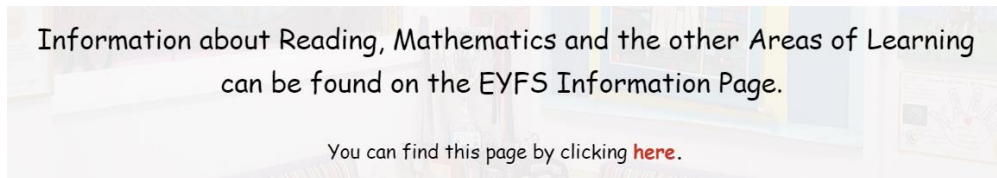
### Reading books

Please read the books and practise the tricky words that have been sent home.

Please make sure that books are back in school for next Friday and we will then change them for a new one.

The children should have brought home their new reading book today. In with the book is a diary for you to write in when you have read with your child and a book full of the tricky words that we will be learning over the year.

As a quick reminder there are lots of resources on our class page, see below:



The Little Wandle website has a large number of resources including videos for you to watch. They are all very short but give you a clear idea of how the children are learning at school.

We are always around to answer any questions or queries that you may have. There are couple of ways that you can contact us:

- Pop over to see us at the end of the day. Once we have dismissed the children safely, we are always available to have a chat.
- Phone the office to make an appointment with any one of us.
- Email the office to make an appointment. The office staff will forward the email to us, and we will catch you or give you a ring to arrange a suitable time.

Please do let us know of any concerns as quickly as possible. We can usually sort things out very quickly if you let us know.

Many thanks

The Reception Team  
(Mrs Gibbens, Mrs Morrell and Mrs Boultyby)