



Friday 4th November 2022

Autumn 2

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 11th November - Armistice Day

Monday 14th - 18th November - Anti-bullying Week
(Wear Odd Socks on Monday!)

Friday 25th November- Reception Dress as a Superhero Day and PTA World Cup Shoot Out.

Saturday 3rd December - Winter Fair

Friday 9th December - PTA Santa Dash

Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch!

Thursday 15th December - Reception Christmas Nativity (2.30pm)

Friday 16th December - Last day of term

SPRING TERM -Wednesday 4th January 2023 - Children return to school

MESSAGES - Thank you for all of your support last half term. The children have had a fantastic start to the year and we are delighted with how well they have all settled in to Reception!

PTA - We would like to say a big thank you to the PTA for our generous class allowance and we intend to use it to enhance our indoor and outdoor learning provision.

NEW TOPIC - Superheroes and Everyday Heroes!

Superhero Day- as part of our topic focus we will be dressing as Superheroes on Friday 25th November. We encourage children to come dressed as their favourite super hero.

If you have any heroes in your family, past or present, please let us know via email, as we would love to learn more about them and share them with our classes. A picture of them would be great too. Also, if you or a relative who does a job that falls under the 'People Who Help Us' banner, we would love to hear more about your role.

MATHS - Areas of learning this half term will focus on; recognising numbers to 5, 2D shapes, saying one more or one less than a given number and using positional language. To help us, please support your child in their knowledge of numbers to 20, number recognition and number formation.

FOREST SCHOOL - Forest School will continue this half term in all weathers. Please provide your child with a full change of clothes, as the Golden Garden is particularly muddy around this time of year.

PHONICS - We will be finishing phase 2 and starting to introduce tricky words. A tricky word is a word that is not phonetically decodable, and is therefore just learned as a whole. The first set of words are: **the, to, I, no, go & into**. During phonics lessons we do encourage children to 'have a go' at letter formation. Understandably, many children find this tricky, but we are talking regularly with the children about how we are learning. Please 'have a go' at home too. There are also apps like Dinolets and Spooky Letters that support letter formation. Please refer to the sheets given out after parents evening for useful links.

Reception NATIVITY - This term, Reception will be performing '*Sleepy Shepherd*' for our Christmas nativity. We will send out information about costumes in the next few weeks.

GENERAL REMINDERS - Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the winter weather (e.g.: warm waterproof coats and shoes) and remember to label your child's clothing, including hats, scarfs and gloves. Please can you also make sure that your child has a change of spare clothes that they can keep on their peg.

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Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

THE RECEPTION TEAM

