

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER

Google Classroom

Well would you believe that we are now in Week 5 of home learning! I would like to start with saying what an amazing job our children, parents and carers are doing with home learning. This is a completely new way of working and living for all of us and I really want to let you all know that whatever your circumstances are at home, you are all doing an absolutely fantastic job. We obviously are not aware yet of when we will all return, but until then let's carry on creating amazing learning experiences at home for our children together.

Phonics Assessments



A big thank you for all the children and grown-ups that allowed us to assess our phonics groups online. This has allowed us to really keep a close eye on how the children are progressing, so that we can continue to personalise the phonics lessons to what they need. We are so proud of all the phonics lessons that are going on at home, and all the effort our children (and grown-ups!) are making to continue to do the daily tasks to develop and strengthen their phonics knowledge.

From WC 8th Feb your child may be placed into a new phonics group or, they may continue with their current learning. With this, your child may get a new Phonics teacher, or you may have a little bit of all of us! This is because we have now 4 different Phonics groups being taught daily and staff are working together to try and give the children the best phonics lessons they can. Any updates will be shared with you in the classroom.

Talk 4 Writing

We have had lots of lovely feedback about our Talk4Writing sessions on the book Monkey Puzzle. We are so happy that the children have enjoyed these lessons! Following what we normally do in school, we will now have a break from Monkey Puzzle and return to it at a later date. You may have some additional assignments set for opportunities for you to remember the story until that time.

Next Half Term

Next half term, our new topic is called 'All things bright and beautiful.' We can't wait to share lots of new learning with you after the February half term!



1pm Live Google Meets

We hope you are enjoying our 1pm live Google meets as much as we are. It's really nice to be able to do something fun with the children daily that supports their learning at the same time. These sessions have been planned to support the children with different skills. Please see the timetable below showing what we will be doing on each day- this has changed slightly compared with the recent weeks.

Maths Mondays	Fred Talk Tuesdays	Wow Wednesdays	Surprise Thursday!	Fantastic Friday
Mental maths, number formation, Maths games and quizzes	Phonics quizzes, bingo and more	A chance to share work from the week you have enjoyed, or a Wow moment from home from children and grown ups!	A range of different activities	Star of the week Review of the week
				

A polite reminder - as with every Google meet we have, feel free to arrive and say hi to your friends, but when asked, please can all microphones be turned off. This is so that you can clearly hear the adult or child that is speaking.

Resources

As always we are looking for new ways to improve our outdoor provision. I have had some lovely new ideas to make some fantastic areas for the children when we all return. If you have any of the items below that you are willing to donate to school, please could you get in contact with Mrs Spencer to arrange a safe delivery to school.

- Rockery
- Logs
- Small tree stumps
- Tyres



Once again, it has been 5 different, but 5 amazing weeks of home learning. Such an achievement for us all! Keep going and we are always here to support you.

You've got this Reception!

Thank you so much for all your kind comments and support- we do really appreciate every single one of these. Thank you for supporting your children so far, and in the weeks to come. As always if you have any queries please speak to a member of the team.

The Reception Team