# February 2021



### In School Provision

Well would you believe that we are now in Week 5 of the half term. I would like to start with saying what an amazing job our children, parents and carers are doing with all of the changes to school life. Even though the children are attending school as

normal, there have been lots of changes for them too whether its new teachers, a new classroom, or even new friends in their classroom! The children have coped incredibly well to the

changes around them and they are really enjoying their time at school with their new friends.

## Phonics Assessments

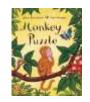


Over the last week we have assessed every child in school for phonics. We are so proud of all the hard work that the children continue to do in their phonics groups, which develops and strengthens their phonics knowledge.

From WC 8<sup>th</sup> Feb your child may be placed into a new phonics group with a new teacher. As always extra learning resources may be sent home with your child to support what we are doing in class. Please speak to Miss Miya or Mrs Pickersgill if you would like any further support with this.

# 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.



#### 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!



#### Resources

We are always really grateful for any resources we can use, especially things we can use to make models at school. Please see below a list of resources we are always looking for to enhance our modelling area.

- cardboard tubes
- various sizes of cardboard boxes
- pasta
- tin foil
- yoghurt pots
- materials
- Anything interesting that you have spare and you think the children will enjoy using!

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







Thank you so much for all your kind comments and supportwe 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