

# Reception Newsletter

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas and a lovely break! The children have all come back refreshed and full of beans!

In phonics this week the children have reviewed their knowledge of Phase 2 phonemes and next week they will start learning Phase 3 sounds. We have also been reviewing Tricky Words learnt last term. These can be tricky to remember and these are the words the children need to be able to read fluently, on sight. Please keep practising at home with the children too.



In our maths sessions this week the children have been reviewing their knowledge of numbers 0-5 and they have been finding one less than a number using a 5 frame. We have also been singing lots of songs starting with 5, then counting back in ones. Songs such as 5 currant buns and 5 Little Monkeys.

One of our topics this term will be 'Keeping Healthy' and we would like to give the children the opportunity to sample a variety of fruit from around the world. As mentioned in the letter sent out with this newsletter, please can we ask you to send in an exotic fruit on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January** and include the label of origin as well? Please ensure you return the slip giving permission for the children to sample the fruit by Tuesday or let us know of your consent via the contact book. I appreciate your support with this.

We have read the story of 'Supertato' and 'Supertato: Veggies Assemble' which the children have absolutely loved! They have enjoyed finding out about the adventures of Supertato and how he defeats the Evil Pea! We made our own Superveggies this week and the children loved using them to rescue veggies which had been terrorised by Evil Pea. They have been on display, but are coming home today so the children can play with them at home before they decompose! I have included some photos below of our great Superveggies!

I would like to say a big thank you to all the fantastic chicken sitters. The chickens have been well looked after during the Christmas break and I really appreciate everyone giving up their time to look after our lovely chickens. I hope the children had fun helping too! 😊

Reception children will be going outside for Woodland Learning on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January and Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February** this term. Mrs McKiernan is very excited for the first Woodland Learning session!

It has been a lovely week with the children and I have enjoyed our last week together. It has been lovely for Mrs McKiernan and I to spend time with the class together this week and it has been the best transition for the children. They love Mrs McKiernan already so I know they will have a great year with her and Mrs Mitchell.

I would like to say a massive thank you for all your support and kindness this year. I am so excited to become a mummy, but I am so sad to leave the children and I am sad I won't get to finish the year with them as I am so proud of them and what they have achieved already in two terms. They are all absolutely amazing children, it has been great teaching them! I know they will all continue to flourish and achieve great things in the capable hands of Mrs McKiernan and Mrs Mitchell! I look forward to seeing all the children when I come in and visit when baby has arrived and we have settled in at home.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Dale

# Superveggies!

