



## Reception Newsletter



Our first full week as a class of 30! It has been a lot to take in this week: larger numbers, the warmer weather, activities having to be shared more and routines being established (especially lunch time!) so please remember your child might be particularly tired as it is a lot for a little one to process. The children have tried hard to follow school routines and build relationships - we will be continuing to make our prime areas (Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication & Language and Physical Development) our key focuses to encourage sharing, turn taking and positive relationships with one another.

### **This Week...**

We have thought about our book 'It is ok to be different' and created our first self-portrait using pencil and mirrors. We have been using in our fine motor activities to build up strength in our hands for mark making and writing.

In Maths, we looked at the numbers 1, 2, 3 in more detail. We looked at different ways to represent the numbers and introduced 'Numicon'.

In Phonics we have started our Phase 2 sounds, 's/a/t'. We also played some small group games based on syllables and initial sounds in words.

In RE we talked about the creation story and created our own creation pictures that represent the story.

In PE, we have been practising our jumping, balancing, hopping, skipping and travelling.

### Website

Please remember to check the website for photos and information. I will add the newsletter on there as well.

### PE

Our PE sessions will remain on Tuesday and Friday - please send your child in their PE kit for that day with trainers.

### **Next Week...**

We will be looking at sounds p/i/n and beginning to blend words with two letters e.g. at/as/in. There is a brilliant website, which will help support you at home with our Phonics teaching. It shows how to sound each letter and begins to help with blending.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/learn-to-read-phonics/>

During the week, we will be reading the book 'Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly'. This lovely book introduces sentences. Children will create their own story page for the class book, thinking about what they like.

In RE, we will carry on our work about Harvest by looking at fruits from around the world.

In Maths, we will be looking at the composition of the numbers 1, 2 and 3 and ways we can make them.

### Things to practise at home

- Taking jumpers off - some of us have struggled to take our own jumpers off this week.

- Fine motor activities - playdough, painting, mark making, threading, using pegs.

- Pre writing strokes

