

Reception Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a wonderful half term and a big welcome back to another action packed 7 weeks!

Core subjects

Fiction: We have a range of fiction books planned for this half term, these include Owl Babies, Kipper's Birthday, The Gingerbread Man, The Jolly Christmas Postman and Father Christmas needs a wee!

Non - Fiction: We will be reading a range of books related to our topic celebrations. We will be celebrating bonfire night, Diwali and Christmas.

We will be continuing to look at numbers to 20 this half term, with a focus on subtraction and addition. We will also be ordering by height and length and looking at 3D shapes. Rainbow passport will continue as normal.

Wider Curriculum

TOPIC - CELEBRATIONS

We are learning about different celebrations of light including the Hindu festival Diwali. We will be making Diya lamps and looking carefully at Rangoli patterns. We will be learning about why we celebrate Bonfire Night and enjoy creating a range of artwork and writing related to the celebrations.

Finally we will be celebrating Christmas by reading and retelling the nativity story through our writing and art work.

We will also be visiting Pontefract library for an owl workshop and having real life owls coming into school!

Homework

Reading books and blue phonics books will continue to be given to every child, we ask that the plastic zip wallet with the books be placed in the blue box every morning. The reading records are for school and home use. We ask that every time you work with your child you please record in the book.

Further Information

Just a little reminder, only water to be provided with packed lunches and in classroom water bottles. Lastly, please can you check all items of clothing are named and labelled (including shoes).

A huge thank you to all parents/carers/grandparents/family members who join us on a Wednesday morning for our reading session. I do appreciate how hard this is for some to attend and will be making sure we have opportunities for this session to be accessible to all in the future.



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P.E.

P.E. will take place on Wednesday afternoons. Please send your child with their P.E. kit on Monday and leave it on their peg. Thank you.

Key dates:

Monday 11th November
2019 – visit to Pontefract
Library

Monday 18th November –
Yorkshire Owl Experience
to visit School.

Tuesday 17th December –
Christmas Performance
2pm.

Wednesday 18th December
– Christmas Performance
10am.

Wednesday 18th December –
nm EYFS Christmas Party