



Reception Newsletter



Friday 3rd November 2023

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a fabulous half term break – the children returned enthusiastically and were raring to go on Monday. We have had an action packed week and we can't quite believe we are in the month of November so soon.

Reading Homework

We have been super impressed by the children's progress in phonics and reading. Many thanks for supporting your child at home with the sound sheets sent last term.

Please remember all yellow plastic reading wallets are collected on Mondays.

From next Monday, we will leave a box outside - it will help us greatly if you could pop the folder into the box during drop off.

The children will take part in 3 guided reading sessions at school before bringing their new reading books home on Wednesdays.

What have we been up to this week?

- This week we continued with our learning about Harvest. We read the story of The Little Red Hen and went on to make bread rolls of our own - we can confirm we had 30 little star bakers. Baking with children can really support the development of learning, play, life skills, fine and gross motor skills and social skills. I have attached the recipe if you would like to have a go with your child at home.
- Thank you so much for the donations of pumpkins and squashes – we had a wonderful diverse collection and had a lot of fun using them in our learning. On Tuesday we got to make actual pumpkin soup and most children were super brave in tasting it too.
- We went to our first school mass on Wednesday and sat beautifully, Mr Tindall said it was a pleasure to sit with us and it really made his day. Thank you so much for your very generous harvest festival donations. Special thanks also to Mrs Lo Bue for organising a large charitable donation from CO-OP.
- We have been learning about Baptism – a welcome to God's family. We turned our immersive learning suite (The Space) into a church and acted out a baptism ceremony. The children absolutely loved it and were all very eager to be the priest! There is still time to send in a baptism picture of your child if you haven't already – we are putting these into our RE books as a little keepsake.



Phonics

This week we have been learning these sounds: **ff ll ss j**
We have learned to recognise the tricky word **put**
Please refer to the sound sheet when supporting your child with articulation and letter formation.



Next week we will be...

- Learning about Remembrance Day and making beautiful Poppy pictures in art.
- Learning the sounds **v w x y**
- Starting to prepare for our class welcome assembly (Friday 17th November)
- Learning that God made each one of us and we must look after ourselves and each other.

STARS OF THE WEEK

We went to our very first whole school assembly on Friday. Congratulations to our stars of the week...

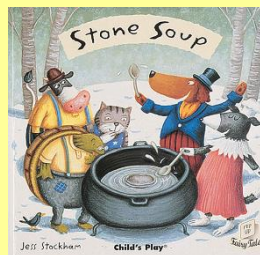
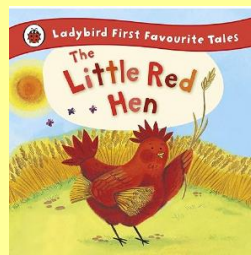
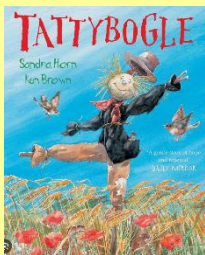


Adela and Jaiden



Recommended Books and Rhymes

(Some of the books we have been reading this week)



Please click this link for all our nursery rhyme videos (we love them!)
[For parents | Letters and Sounds \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](http://littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)

Reminders and important dates.

- You should all be receiving instructions soon on how to make an appointment for Parents evening on either Tuesday 14th November (school hall) and Thursday 16th November (online).

Have a lovely weekend!