



Reception Curriculum News Spring 1 January 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

We do hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed spending time together as a family. We are all looking forward to a brand new year and new term here in Reception. This half term, as well as following their own interests, the children will have opportunities to learn through the topic of snow and ice.

At school we will be:

Looking at character and setting descriptions and non-fiction texts.

Looking at the story of Robin Hood, along with the rest of the school.

Focusing on gymnastics: Jumping Jacks and Rock & Roll during P.E.

Continuing practise of writing letters using the lead in stroke and sounding out phonic sounds in order to spell.

Practising writing our numbers from 0 to 10 and beyond to 20.

Learning about addition and subtraction.

Looking at the Chinese New Year.

Talking about and experimenting with snow and ice.

Learning about how we can work together and about people who can help us.

Learning about storytelling and in R.E. how Jesus was a storyteller.

At home the children could:

Enjoy playing with the Maths homework games - see separate letter.

Take part in placing an entry in the Show and Tell bag.

Practise counting forward and backwards from 0 to 20 and writing numbers from 0 to 20.

Write their name clearly and with the lead in stroke.

Reading their school reading books and practising their phonic cards with a grown-up.

Do up cardigan buttons and coat zips and get changed independently.

Help to write thank you notes and lists.

As a family you may like to:

Look at Chinese New Year activities.

Make pancakes together and enjoy eating them on Shrove Tuesday on the 25th February.

Enjoy reading stories together.

Talk about people who help us, such as the emergency services, family members, school, doctors, nurses, dentists, local community.

During Autumn Term 2:

What an incredibly busy half term we had! The children enjoyed many different activities within the classroom and experienced many new ones, including their first school trips and taking part in a whole school performance. May I take this opportunity to thank all of you who have been uploading posts onto Tapestry and remind others how important this is to get an overview of your child and their learning.

This half term we have:

- Made items associated with *The Gruffalo* story:



- Enjoyed stories being read to us by Elsa and Spiderman:



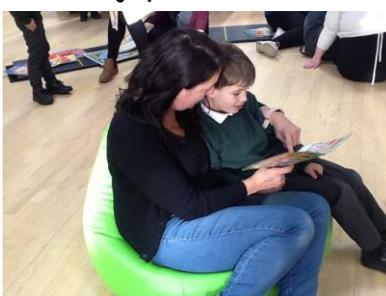
- Taken part in the Shanklin Methodist Church Christmas Tree Festival.



- visited the IOW Zoo and made enhancement gifts for the animals:



- enjoyed our first Reading café:



Many thanks as always, Mrs Frances and the Reception Team