



Reception News

This week in Reception we have been learning all about Autumn and the changing of the seasons. We have looked at signs of autumn, autumn animals and their habitats and read the story of leaf man. In phonics this week we have been working on the sounds s,a,t,p,i,n and building small words with these sounds to read and write. In maths we have been exploring capacity and using the language of full, empty and half full. We have also been working on repeating patterns.

We have also been celebrating Black History Month this week and the theme this year is 'Saluting our sisters' - we have been reading different stories such as Handa's Surprise and looking at influential women such as Simone Biles.

Next week we will continue our Autumn themed work.

Challenges!

Reading: Please read at home each night and record this in your child's reading record. Your child's reading book will be changed weekly. You can record any story that you read or share together at home.

Bedtime story: Please log on to Tapestry this eve and every Friday for a bedtime story read by one of our team for you and your child to enjoy together. This can be recorded as a 'read' in your child's reading record.

Phonics: Below is the Bug Club link to the sounds and actions we will be learning this term

<https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/bcpafsp2>

Phonics video: Each week we will send home a phonics video for your child to watch and join in with at home recorded by one of the EYFS team.

Tapestry: Don't forget to add your adventures to tapestry—the children love sharing their photos on the big board and this really helps to support their speaking and listening skills.

Weekly Routines

PE will be outside on a Monday afternoon while the weather is dry. Please make sure all jewellery is removed.

Reading books—reading books will be changed weekly. Other books can be recorded in your child's reading record.

Library books—Our library circle time takes place each Friday. Please make sure your child returns their book each week in order to choose a new one .

Water bottles—Please make sure your child has a named water bottle with them in school every day as it is thirsty work in Reception!

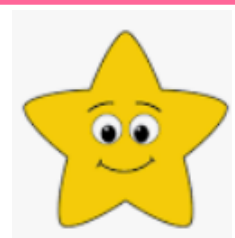


Certificate winners

School value: Jenson, Sophia

Superstar reader: Ruby, Shreya

Superstar writer: Wilson, Presley



Reading winners

The winning class this week areRP with 69 reads!

Well done for collectively achieving the most reads at home this week. Your class will be caring for our special reading bear this week as a reward :-)

Nursery news

This week we have been reading the story of 'Owl Babies'. It's a lovely little story about three little owls by the name of Sarah, Percy and Bill and how they look after each other when their Mummy flies away to find food. It has helped us to think about our families and that it's OK to feel a little lonely at school sometimes. At times like this it's important to surround ourselves with our friends and keyworkers and to concentrate on feeling happy and less sad.

The children have made owl baby pictures, practiced their name writing, owl number games and practiced their gluing skills. The children even got to pose like an owl and spread their wings like the Owl Mother!

Next week we shall be reading 'Room with a Broom!'

Tapestry & Class Charts

Thank you to everyone who has already uploaded photos of their child and their news. It really is appreciated and helps with communication during carpet time. Please keep them coming! If you have yet to access either Tapestry and/or Class Charts, then please let one of the Nursery Team know.

Bottles/Welly boots

Please ensure that your child has a named drinks bottle that it is filled with water before coming to Nursery, plus a pair of named spare welly boots.

Have a lovely weekend!

Dates for the diary

Half term 23rd October - 27th October

INSET (school closed) Monday 30th October

Children return to school Tuesday 31st October

Reception parents eve 8th & 9th November (details to follow after half term)

NHS Speech drop in

If your child is under 5 years old and you have any concerns about your child's speech, language, communication or interaction skills please contact NELFT at Great Oaks for an appointment to support your child on the contact details below.

Email: drop-in@nelft.nhs.uk

Telephone: 0300 300 1544



Childrens centres

We have a few children's centres local to us who are able to offer a great deal of support to families. They run lots of sessions and groups for different aged children as well as parents. Please check out time website below—there is a timetable of events available on this page.

<https://essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk/hubs/northlands-park-family-hub/>



Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service

Reporting absences

Please make sure to report your child's absences each day that they are off using PA Connect.

This should be reported by 8.30am each day.