



## Reception News

This week in Reception we have been reading the story 'The Color Monster' which has helped the children start to name and identify feelings. This week has also seen the children enjoying our new literacy scheme called 'drawing club.' This scheme is bringing joy and imagination into writing and has seen the children excited to participate. This week in phonics we have covered l, n, m, d and the children have practised forming these sounds onto whiteboards. They have also started practising reading consonant, vowel, consonant words (cvc) such as sat, pat, pin, tin. Children have also made progress with writing their names by practising tracing over them daily as well as starting to write them by copying or independently. Each class has also chosen 2 school councillors per class to represent the views of their classmates in school council meetings. The children which will be representing their classes are Harley N, Rosalyn T, Chiamaka C, Theo F, Lilly K, Carter K.

Class ECO representatives has also been chose and will be part of a school wide ECO team and will be involved in such activities around school such as seed planting. The Reception ECO representatives will be Joseph L, Phoebe P, Matty G

When collecting Reception children at home time please enter and leave the Reception playground via the same gate located near the main gate, even if you are coming or going to the other playgrounds to collect older siblings. Please avoid walking through the gates where the Year 1 teachers are handing over their classes. Thankyou

### 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 inside on Thursday afternoons, please send your child to school in their PE kit. Please remove earrings unless they have a flat back. No tape is allowed on earrings without a flat back.



### Certificate winners

Reading — Oliver S, Alex A, Luna M

Writing— Victoria D, Arete A, Rafferty F

Value (Democracy)-George D, Oakley C, Oliver T



## Nursery news

This week the children in Nursery have started Phonics. We have been listening to the sounds we hear in the environment and talking about if they are loud sounds or quiet sounds and if we can make these sounds.

We have spent lots of time in the Nursery garden, the children have loved playing in the mud kitchen and of course, jumping in muddy puddles! Please can you ensure that your child brings a labelled coat or jacket in with them everyday as we will be spending as much time as possible in the outside areas.

Next week we will be focusing on the story of Elmer and talking about how we are all different, but are all special.

Please send in any clean plastic milk bottles as the children will be making Milk bottle Elmer's next week.

Everyone has been added to tapestry, if you are still unable to access this please speak to a member of staff on the gate.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

## Dates for the diary

1st October – Black History Month

4th October– Individual and sibling photos

### 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](mailto: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.