



Reception News

Room on the Broom has been our book of the week and children have been using their own writing codes in drawing club to bring their own magic to the story.

There has been lots of pumpkin fun in classes with opportunities to explore pumpkins with a magnifying glass, design our own pumpkins as well as enjoying 'volcano' pumpkins for science.

For phonics this week we have covered the sounds ck, e, u, r and have been practising reading and writing CVC words using these sounds.

We hope you and your children have a lovely half term break and we will see them back at school on TUESDAY 5th November.

Please avoid walking through the gates in Reception when the Year 1 teachers are handing over their classes. Instead you may go onto the Keystage 1 playground via the Reception gates closest to the main gate where no children are being handed over to parents. Thank you.

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 evening 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.

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

Certificate Winners



Reading—Kody T, Letty-Jae W, Rayden R

Writing—Rosalyn T, Emily M, Theo F-D,

Value - Erin M, Nicolas V, Eleeza A



Nursery News

It's been another fun filled week in Nursery exploring the book Room on the broom. We have had lots of spells cast on us this week! The children are getting very good at putting on their own welly boots/shoes and coats, please continue to encourage this at home over the half term.

The children have loved sharing their home learning and news on Tapestry so keep on sending us photos to share in class.

We hope your children have a fabulous half term break and we will see them back at school on TUESDAY 5th November.

Tapestry & Class Charts

If you have yet to access either Tapestry and/or Class Charts, then please let one of the Nursery Team know.

Bottles and coats

Please ensure that your child has a named drinks bottle that it is filled with water before coming to Nursery and that all children bring a suitable coat for the weather.

Dates for the Diary

1st—31st October – Black History Month

31st October– Halloween

1st November– Diwali

5th November - Bonfire Night

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



Children's 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.