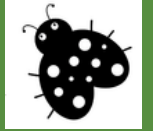




# Reception Newsletter Spring 1 2024



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. Many thanks for all of the kind words, cards and gifts that you sent in the last week of term. Your kindness and support is very much appreciated!

The last few weeks at school were great fun. We were incredibly proud of Reception for their amazing efforts in their Christmas Nativity. I'm sure you will all agree that the children were fantastic. We also had so much fun at our first stay and play of the year. Thank you so much for joining us, we are looking forward to more stay and play sessions throughout the year.

We are so excited for the year ahead and have lots of exciting things planned in school this term.

## Dates for your diary

- **17th January** - Reception Vision Screening
- **9th February** - Reception Lunar New Year Celebration - Reception children wear red to school

## PE

Our PE days for this half term can be found below. Please ensure that PE kits are in school all week.

PE days this half term:

Ladybird Class: Tuesday and Thursday

Honeybee Class: Thursday and Friday

## HOMEWORK

We will be setting weekly homework this half term. Homework will vary each week and may be linked to our topic work in class or aim to support children with their letter formation and handwriting. We would really appreciate your support in spending time with your child each week on these tasks. Homework will be set each Thursday and collected every Tuesday. More info to follow on Tapestry.

## Our Amazing World

Our topic this half term is Our Amazing World. This includes learning about winter, the polar regions, as well as superheroes! This half term we will be reading stories including; 'The Tale of Jack Frost' 'The Emperor's Egg' and 'Supertato' linked to our topic. We will be finding out about and exploring the changing seasons and learning about the polar regions. We will be looking at maps of where we live and comparing these to the polar regions and learning about the differences. We will also be learning about famous explorers such as Ernest Shackleton.



Should you have any further questions, please feel free to get in touch either by catching us on the door at home time or ringing/emailing the school office, who will pass on your queries. Alternatively, leave us a message on Tapestry and we will get back to you. With your continued support, I am sure that we will have another successful and exciting half term ahead of us.

Best Wishes, The Early Years Team

