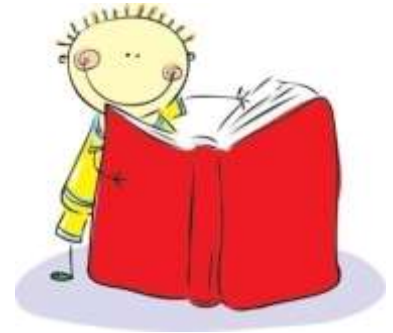


Reception Newsletter

Friday 28th February 2025

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term break. The children have come back and settled into school life and routines once again. They have been very enthusiastic about their learning this week!



In phonics this week, the children have been revising digraphs and trigraphs previously learnt. The focus this week has been on reading longer words and words which have our previously taught digraphs in. When reading longer words (which we call chunking) we clap out each syllable and then focus on sounding out the sounds in the first syllable and then doing the same with the second syllable. The children use this method to help them write longer words too.

In maths this week the children have been reviewing their knowledge of doubling, as well as singing lots of rhymes and songs involving counting and taking one away such as 'Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer' and 'Five Little Speckled Frogs'. The children have also focused on the language shortest and longest. The children ordered items according to their length.

Next week is 'Book Week' in school and we are celebrating 'World Book Day' on **Thursday 6th March** – I am sure the children have their costumes planned and cannot wait to wear them on Thursday! As it is book week all week I would like the children to bring in one of their favourite books from home to share with the children in class on the following days:

Monday – Blue Group (Leo, Charlie, Rosie, Emily, Sophia, Poppy)

Tuesday – Red Group (Francis, Alfie, Emilio, Tamia, Ralph, Ronnie)

Wednesday – Green Group (Lowen, Olivia, Freddie, Abraham, Eliza, Ellis)

Thursday – Purple Group (Charlotte, Dougie, Mia, Charlotte, Ava-Mae, Amber)

Friday – Orange Group (Florence, Oliver, Molly, Lola, Summer, Louis)

The children are going to be finding out about Easter in detail this term, but we are also going to be covering the topic 'People Who Help Us'. This week the children have learnt about people in our community who can help us

and can keep us safe such as Firefighters, Police Officers, Doctors, paramedics, Vets etc.

Andy, the Firefighter, came into school this week to talk to the children about the role of a Firefighter and the jobs they do to help people and keep us safe from fires. We had great fun dressing up in his uniform and trying on his helmet! The children all had a go at squirting water out of a fire extinguisher – they absolutely loved this; it was great fun! There are some photos below for you to see.

Have a weekend!

Miss Dale

Firefighter Talk





