



# Reception Round Up - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025



Welcome back everybody and Happy New Year!

It has been so lovely seeing our Reception children back in school this week. We have loved hearing about their Christmas holiday news during circle time this week. We have had a very frosty and cold week, but that hasn't stopped us exploring outside. We wrapped up warm and enjoyed Wonderful Wellies where we found chunks of ice, frosty grass and frozen water in the watering cans.

Today, your child has their new homework book in their bookbag. Their home work this week is to decorate their book (back and front) in anyway they want to. Some ideas are; stickers, glitter, drawings, felt tip pens, gel pens, bubble writing etc... Then please use the provided sticky back plastic sheet to cover their homework book. This will help to protect their fabulous designs! Next week, the children will start Fiery Feet on Monday (every week) and will be learning some exciting Dance routines as well as enjoying a visit from the Planetarium.



Next week in Reception...



### Maths:



In Maths, the children will be practising their subitising skills. They will be ordering the Numberblocks and focusing on the importance of counting in the correct order. They will be exploring the number '5' and how it is composed. The children will also be practising their formation of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

### Phonics:

In Phonics, the children will be learning 2 more sounds.



**The sounds are:**  
'j' and 'v'



Please help your child find objects in your home or think of objects that begin with a 'ck' or an 'e'. Remember you can listen to these sounds on the videos on Seesaw.



### Literacy, Understanding the World & Expressive Arts:



Next term in Reception, we will be reading the book called 'Astro Girl'.

Our Topic this year term is 'People Who Help Us' and we will be exploring how astronauts help us to learn about Space. We will be having a visit from the Planetarium and enjoying a very special Space themed experience.

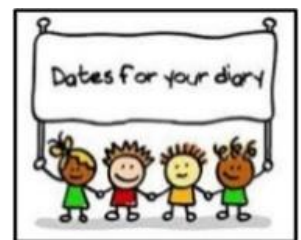
### How You Can Help...

- Encourage your child's independence by encouraging them to walk down from the top gate by themselves in the mornings. We are celebrating their independence with stickers from Mrs Hutchin as they enter the school!
- Share a book and read with your child every night.
- Talk with your child about their day at school.
- Encourage your child to become independent in using a knife and fork effectively.
- Encourage your child to be responsible for gathering their belongings in the morning and putting on their coats independently, to help them do so in school.



### Dates for the diary:

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January – Planetarium Visit into School
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January – Reception Height and Weight Measurements
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Road Safety Workshop
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February – PTA Valentine's Disco @ 4pm-5pm
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Evening
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Evening
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Half Term



Have a lovely weekend!  
Miss Stanley, Mrs Vallins and the Reception Team.

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## Other Information and Notices:

### **Show & Tell:**

Each week, we have a 'Show & Tell' session. If your child would like to take part (they don't have to), please can they bring their 'Show & Tell' in on a **Friday** for **both** classes.

### **Toys:**

Children are **not** allowed to bring in toys from home. We have lots of toys at school and we don't want your child to be upset if their own toys get lost at school.

### **P.E:**

Cherry Class have P.E. on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**.

Willow Class have P.E. on **Mondays** and **Fridays**.

The children are allowed to wear any colour trainers and must wear their school jumper or cardigan.

### **Reading:**

Please try to hear your child read every day and note down this reading on the green bookmark in their book. **Please** make sure these packets are in your child's bookbag **every day**, ready to read with us at any time.

### **Water bottles:**

Children must have a **named** water bottle in school every day.

### **Bookbags:**

Letters and any crafts will be put in your child's bookbags so please check these **each night**. If you have any **letters or slips** to return to school/get to us then please do not put these in the bookbag, please give them directly to Mrs Nicol on the gate in the mornings.

### **Seesaw:**

Don't forget to login into 'Seesaw' so you can see **some** of the things that the children are getting up to at school.

### **Spare clothes and wellies:**

All children need to bring a pair of Wellies and a named bag with spare clothes in to leave in school.

### **Milk:**

Please register for 'Cool Milk' if your child would like milk. From their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday you will have to pay for them to have milk.

### **Birthdays:**

We have a special Birthday tradition at Emscote! The children are allowed to wear their own clothes to school on their birthday. It means that everyone can wish them a Happy Birthday! If your child's birthday is at the weekend or during a holiday then they can wear their own clothes on the nearest Monday/Friday.