

Foundation Stage Newsletter

Friday 17th January 2020



Reception

Learning Journeys.

Updated learning journeys have been sent via email, if you have not received yours then please pop in and see us, however please make sure you have accepted the initial invitation sent out. Also, please don't forget you can add to your child's learning journey simply by replying to one of the emails that have been sent to you from 2simple. We would love to see photographs and notes about your child's experiences at home. A huge Thank You to everyone who fills in the children's weekly diary, they absolutely love standing up and sharing their weekend news with their friends and staff, the diary entries provide wonderful discussion topics. This week in Reception we have continued our work on the Arctic and have been busy comparing hot and cold climates and looking at different culture houses! We have also been following instructions this week and have been exploring different media to create arctic scenes, keep an eye on our Art Gallery! In phonics recently we have been learning about the letters x,y,z,zz and the sounds they make when we segment words. In our Kinetic Letters we have also been learning how to write v,x,zz. We are now challenging the children to write their name and surname independently so any opportunities to practice at home will prove beneficial.

Reminders!

All children in reception receive a free school dinner, however if you are in receipt of certain payments or allowances your child may qualify for extra funding. Find out if you are eligible here:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Pre-School

We cannot believe how fast our first full week has gone and I must say all the children have done so well. The new children seem to have settled in also and doing well with our routine. For the first time since we have been back, we have used the Daily Mile. Again the children loved doing this and having a run around. We have continued our Topic of Snow and Ice. Please see our new Winter board where your child has decorated either a hat, scarves or gloves! In groups we have used Talk and Thought cards. These are pictures of different places/objects etc and we encourage the children to identify what they can see and use their imagination of what might be happening in the picture and what might happen next! Finally, we have had real messy week as we have had shaving foam, gloop and slime!

Wrap Around

This week in Wrap Around we have been testing our memory with a memory game. Using a selection of cold weather animals, can the children recognise which one has disappeared each time the tray is uncovered. The children worked really hard using their thinking brains. Using the interactive whiteboard, we watched and joined in with Andy's Artic Workout. This is where we had to pretend we were in a very cold place imitating Winter animals such as polar bears, penguins, and seals! We found this very funny!

Reminders: If your child does not stop for dinner, they do not need a bottle in school due to them having access to café all morning and afternoon. Many Thanks. Unfortunately, spare clothes are running extremely low. Please ensure if your child has been sent home in spare clothes that you return them ASAP. Donations of spare clothes appreciated. Also please make sure your child has wellies in school. Even though the weather is changing, we are still having fun learning outside!