



Reception Weekly Newsletter

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This week we have been thinking about 'Black History Month'. We have read the story called 'Handa's Surprise' and we have talked about how people are different from each other, and that this is a good thing. We have tasted a range of tropical fruits from the story at Stay and Play. I would like to say a big thank you to all those who attended on Thursday. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday morning for our second session. Next week we will compare what it is like to live in Africa or England, in a village or in a city, linking to 'Handa's Surprise'. Some children also enjoyed making bread hedgehogs during Stay and Play, linking to the story of 'The Little Red Hen'. There will be other sessions to give each child an opportunity to do some baking. The classroom certainly smelt lovely, and I hope that the bread tasted good too! We will be writing simple instructions for making the bread in our guided writing sessions next week.

In phonics we have learnt the phonemes o, c, k and the tricky word to. When you are reading story books/magazines etc at home, please encourage your child to find 'to' in the text. The children have tried to write words and simple sentences, as well as reading them.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our phonics session on Tuesday. We hope that you found it useful and enjoyable. If you could not attend that session, you are welcome to come and stay at one of our normal phonics sessions. Please see Miss Horner or Mrs Houghton to arrange a date. In maths this week we have started to make a number book. The children have created pages for 2 and 3, explaining why they put their picture in there. Next week we will be continuing with pages 4 and 5. This will give the children the opportunity to deepen their learning about these numbers and help them to really understand what they mean.

Stay and Play

Please stay and play with us on Tuesday morning. The session runs until 11am, but you do not need to stay for the full session. We look forward to seeing you there. If you are unable to attend either of these sessions, do let us know if you want to pop in at another time and we will see if we can accommodate you! We want you to see how your child is learning at school.

Photograph day

We will keep the children clean on Monday morning before their school photographs! They are usually completed pretty early into the school day. Also, the Yorkshire Evening Post new starters supplement is due to be published next week. The schools are usually in alphabetical order, but check the paper daily for our photographs!

Diary Dates

Monday 16 th October	Photograph day
Tuesday 17 th October	Stay and Play 8.55 - 11am. All welcome
Tuesday 17 th October	Parents Evening
Thursday 19 th October	Parents Evening
Friday 20 th October	Break up for half term

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Houghton, Miss Horner and the Reception team.

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