

# Reception Newsletter



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## Our school values

### We promise to be...

**Respectful** (look after everyone and everything), **Thoughtful and Caring** (be kind, listen to others and use good manners), **Friendly** (share, play together and be happy), **Enthusiastic** (be excited learners)

### This week

**Understanding the world (UW)** -We have continued our learning about Chinese New Year and looked at the significance of the dragon and the colour red being a lucky colour. We also practised writing numbers in Chinese which was great fun!

**Maths** -The children have been practising their number skills to make 6, 7 and 8. We have been looking at different ways to make 6 e.g 5 +1, 4+2, 3+3 and using our fingers to show this. We have been playing a fun game called where we say a number and the children have to show it super quick with their fingers.

**Literacy**- We all really enjoyed World Book Day this year. We had a fun day talking about the children's wonderful costumes and the books that go with them. We looked at different books during the day and shared books with our friends and as a whole class.

**Phonics** – There are no new sounds for this week so please continue to practise the sounds in the phonics folder especially the sounds your child finds difficult.

### **Harder to read and spell words:**

**Said, have, so, were, out, like**

*These are words that do not use a phonetic code - we cannot sound them out and blend to read. We just have to see them and read them.*

### **Other bits:**

**Zips** – Please keep encouraging your child to practice zipping their own coat. This is a really important skill that promotes their independence and saves lots of time in class!

**Spare clothes** – We only have a limited set of spare clothes for children to borrow so please ensure your child has a set of spare clothes in school especially pants, socks and tights. If you do have any extra spare socks we would be very grateful for these in school. Thank you!

### **Routines**

**Library books** in and out on a **Tuesday**

**Phonics folders** – back into school on a **Wednesday** and home on a **Friday**

**Reading books** to be returned to school on **Thursday** New book sent home on **Friday**.

Please sign our child's reading record to show us that the book is finished

**\*\* words in red are new vocabulary that we have taught the children. Use this vocabulary at home to support your child's language development\*\***

### Next week

#### **We will..**

-Be spotting the signs of Spring! So if you have chance to go out on a walk it would be great to chat about the weather, look out for the buds or leaves on the trees and any flowers growing.

### **Important dates**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**- Mini Monsters visiting us