

# Reception Newsletter



Friday 13th 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 were lucky to have Ed and his 'mini monsters' into school on Wednesday afternoon. The children thoroughly enjoyed this session, listening fantastically to all the facts about the different creatures and also asking their own curious, sensible questions. We were so impressed with how much information the children remembered after this session.

**Maths** -The children have been practising their ordering skills and thinking how each number is one more and visually looks like a staircase as we add one more. We have been using the language of one more and also one less when talking about where numbers are e.g I know 6 is next because 6 is one more than 5 and one less than 7.

**Literacy-** We have been enjoying writing our special cards which you will see on Sunday!

**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:

**come, some, there**

*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 thinking about special days in the UK. We will be revisiting St David's Day and learning about the traditions of St Patrick's Day.

It would be great if you could talk about these days with your child.

#### Important dates

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March-** clothes to make us smile for Red Nose day

**Week beg 23<sup>rd</sup> March-** the book fair is in school