

Reception Newsletter

1st February 2019



This week we have been thinking about the clothes we wear in cold weather. The photos you are sending in are great for discussing what we wear and why – the children love looking at each other! Please keep them coming... Thank you very much for your support. We have sorted a pile of clothes, thinking about which season they would be worn in. We have also looked closely at patterns and matched mittens.

As part of our topic the children have enjoyed freeing the 'cold climate' animals from a block of ice.

We have also loved playing outside in the frost and snow. The weather has had fantastic timing this year!

This week we have noticed that many of our children are still needing support to put on their coat and do it up independently. We are currently doing this several times a day, and would really appreciate your child practising this important skill at home this weekend. Thank you! It is also worth reminding the children that they can store their hats, scarves and gloves in the sleeve of their coat, which makes it all much easier to find.

In phonics we have learnt the new sound **qu**. We have collaged a class **quilt**, sorted **quick** or **quiet** things and played with ducks (**quack!**) in the water.

The new sounds from the last 2 weeks are in the reading records tonight.

We have also been writing sentences using the sounds and tricky words we know. We count how many words we are going to write before we put pencil to paper, and then remember to use finger spaces in between the words when we write.

In maths we have been working on quick recognition of tens frames – the organisation of the dots on the grid makes it easier to remember.

We have also ordered 5 items into height order.

We have been in discussion with the midday supervisors this week.

They have requested a trial period where our children play with friends from their own class for next couple of weeks. They feel that this will enable all children, across the year groups, to have time socialising in different situations. This is not a permanent arrangement. We are reassuring our class that they can play with siblings at home, or older friends at a later date in the school term. If your child feels worried about this please let one of us know.

Thank you!

Have a super weekend!