



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we read looked at the story “**The leaf thief**” the children really enjoyed this book and was a great introduction to the season, Autumn. We spoke about how the season is changing and that the leaves are falling off trees and are changing colour. The children went on a leaf hunt to choose a special leaf to write about. The children enjoyed practicing their phoneme formation on leaves. In maths, we looked at patterns and learnt about repeated patterns. The children loved making fruit kebabs using repeated patterns, their favourite part was eating the kebabs! In phonics, we have been learning the phonemes **ck, e, u, r**. The tricky word was ‘**l**’. Please find attached your child’s phonics learning and Little Wandle rhymes to support your child’s letter formation.

Next week we will be introducing “**The Power of Yeti**”, this is all about growth mindset, we will be teaching children that they might not be able to do something now but if they keep trying, they can get there! We will continue looking at Autumn and talking about Harvest. In maths, we will be looking at and comparing size and length.

### Class WhatsApp group

If you would like to join your class WhatsApp group, please go to your class door and scan the QR code to join or speak to the class teacher and they can direct you on how to join.

### Reminders

- Please ensure your child has a bag of spare clothes, so if we need to, we can change your child.
- Please don’t forget to name EVERYTHING including shoes.
- Please ensure on rainy days your child has a waterproof coat in case they choose to explore the outside classroom.
- Please can the book bags be returned **every Wednesday** so your child can change their library books. Unfortunately, if your child does not bring back their library book, they will not be allowed to borrow another book the following week.

### Requests

- If you are having a clear out or have any dressing up clothes your child/ren no longer use, we love to have it for both indoors and outdoors to enhance the children’s imaginative play. You can give these to your child’s teacher and as a team we will sort these out between the areas. Thank you!
- Next week, the children will be making Yeti’s, can we please ask for 30 paper plates per class and round cotton wool balls. Thanks!

### Future Dates

- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** @ 9.00 a.m – English workshop in the hall.
- **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October** – Nasal Flu Vaccinations (more info to follow)
- **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October** – Last day of school

Many thanks  
The Reception Team 😊

**Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -**



**Pronunciation Phrase - ck**  
Open your mouth into a little smile; make your tongue flat and move it up towards the top of your mouth to say c c c

**Digraph (ck) -**  
two letters, one sound

**Formation Phrase - ck**  
c - Curl around the cat  
k - Down the kite, up to the top corner and down to the bottom corner



**Pronunciation Phrase - e**  
Open your mouth wide and say e e e

**Formation Phrase - e**  
Around the elephant's eye and curl down its trunk



**Pronunciation Phrase - u**  
Open your mouth wide and say u u u

**Formation Phrase - u**  
Down and around the umbrella, and back to the ground



**Pronunciation Phrase - r**  
Show me your teeth to make a rrrrr sound rrrrr

**Formation Phrase - r**  
From the cloud to the ground and over the rainbow

**We will be orally blending words. Can you hear the phonemes in these words? Can you listen and then repeat the word?**

s - o - ck

p - a - ck

p - e - t

m - u - d

r - e - d

d - u - ck

**We will be practising tricky words. Can you spot the tricky part of the word?**

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