

Reception Newsletter

24th October 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we read the story “**Room on the Broom**” and talked about what animal we’d like to take with us on our broom. We’ve been busy doing activities linked to the autumnal season. We enjoyed scooping out pumpkins and made ‘exploding pumpkins’. Children loved watching the pumpkins fizz up. In Maths, we’ve been focusing on mass and capacity. Children explored balancing scales and measuring tubes. They’ve learnt lots of new vocabulary; Heavy, heavier, heaviest, light, lighter, lightest, mass, capacity, full, empty, half full, nearly full, most, least. In phonics, we’ve been recapping the phonemes and tricky words we have learnt this half term.

After half term, we will be basing our learning around the Fireworks. In Maths, we will be focusing on recognising and representing the numbers 1,2,3. We will be using language such as subitise, count, number, more, equal, amount. Our new phonemes after the half term will be, **ff,ll,ss,j**. Our tricky words will be **put, pull, full** and **as**.

Reading Books

We have had a number of parents asking about reading books and are very aware how eager you all are! The children are still getting to grips with the idea of blending and segmenting in order to read independently. We would like to give the children a little more practise with this. Reading books will be sent home the first week back after half term, thank you for your understanding!

Reminders

- 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.
- Please bring in your child's PE kit after the holiday as they will be changing for PE once they're back at school. Please ensure that **shorts** are packed into the bag. If they don't have shorts, they won't be able to take part as it's due to health and safety when climbing on apparatus.

Future Dates

- Return to school Monday 3rd November
- Zones of regulations workshop Thursday 6th November
- School fireworks night Saturday 8th November
- Odd sock day Monday 10th November
- Maths workshop Wednesday 12th November
- Height and weight measurement 14th November

Many thanks
The Reception Team 😊