

Reception Newsletter



Term 2
January Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope you have had a wonderful time with your families and that your children are well rested and ready to start the new year.

This half term we are learning about 'Bears'. We will learn about bears around the world: different countries, different habitats and different environments. We will also be exploring our senses.

After half term, we will be learning about 'Growing and Changing'. We will learn about plants and life cycles, in particular looking at chicks and hens. This will then be linked to Spring and Easter.

The Reception Team

Important Dates

Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th February
Parents Evening

w/c Monday 12th February
Half term

Monday 19th February
Training day

Friday 23rd February
Maths Inspire Workshop 2:00pm

w/c Monday 25th March
Easter Holidays

Maths

This term we will continue to explore the composition of 5 and begin to focus on numbers up to 10. This includes what different amounts to 10 look like, ordering numbers, exploring '1 more' and comparing amounts.

There will be a 'maths' inspire workshop on 23rd February. The workshop is designed to show you what maths looks like at Colmers Farm and how you can best support your children at home with this.

We will also be learning about pattern and shape. **Please help your child at home by playing counting games, writing numbers and talking about the patterns and shapes they can see in their environment.**

Reading and Writing

Children will be progressing on their RWI journey, continuing to learn new sounds and practise those already learnt. They will be using this knowledge to read simple words and phrases and begin to build on their fluency in reading.

They will also be using their phonic knowledge to help them write simple words, phrases and sentences.

Please help your child at home by encouraging them to practise saying and identifying sounds in words.

To support their writing please encourage them to practice letter formation and write sounds they know for simple words e.g. cat, top, pat, sit.

Topic related texts

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Jack and the Giant Beanstalk

Jasper's Beanstalk

A wonderful way to help your child is to read these stories or watch them on You Tube together.

PE Kit

PE is every Wednesday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on this day.

Forest School

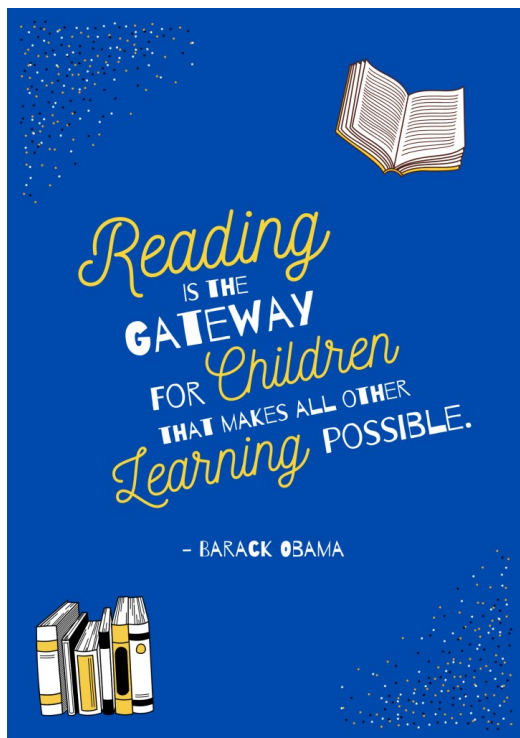
This term, children in Reception will be going to forest school after February half term. A reminder will be sent closer to the time.

Our topic for this half term is 'Bears'.



Tapestry

We are aware that some parents/ carers are having a few issues with Tapestry. We want to really use this platform to engage you and your children in their home learning. We will be starting to post things on tapestry again from Monday 22nd January. If you have any issues with tapestry I will be running a drop in session on Friday 19th January from 2:30pm, to help you rectify any issues.



Reading

Your child has 2 reading books in their bag. Please read the Read, Write Inc book with your child everyday as this is linked to the sounds learnt in school. The other book has been chosen by your child as a reading for pleasure book. They can read this at any time.

A great way to help your child is to ask them questions about the books or show them real life versions of some of the words.

Chicks

After half term we will be having eggs delivered to school. The children will observe the chicks hatching from these and they will help to look after them.

