



# Reception Newsletter

## Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2026



### Weekly Message

What a wonderful week we have had in Reception! The children have had lots of fun whilst continuing to learn, explore and get to know one another.

This week, we have been revisiting our '5 Star Sitting/Check' for when we are in lessons: body still, ears listening, eyes looking, voices off and brain awake! The children have been working hard to practise these skills and understand how they help us to learn. In Literacy, we have been reading *Big Feelings* and *What They Tell Us* and exploring different emotions and how we can manage them. In Maths, we have been learning about prepositions and used our new vocabulary to describe where things are and act out, *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* and *Bug's Big Journey*. The children have worked hard to recognise and form our first set of sounds 's' 'a' 't' 'i'.

We have been showing our families in a variety of creative ways, including finger painting, rock modelling and drawing. We have also made and decorated flags to show who is in our families. We will be using these flags next week during our gross motor skills activities! The children have continued to get to know each other through songs, games and stories, helping us to build friendships and develop our wonderful Reception community.

**Please Note:** If your child is happy and confident to walk in on their own, they are welcome to go straight into the classroom rather than waiting outside. This helps make the morning drop-off a little easier and less busy for everyone.

### A peek at the week

Next week, we will be learning the sounds 'p' 'c' 'k' 'e' 'n'.

In Maths, we will be continuing to work on subitising (this is when you say the number that you see, for example, seeing 3 dots and saying there are 3 without counting) and spatial reasoning.

Our focus story will be, *The colour monster goes to school*. We will be identifying and discussing different emotions from our story and linking them to our zones of regulation.



### EYFS Donations

- Flour
- Rice
- Pasta

### Reminders

On Wednesdays we will do our book change, so please make sure you send in your child's green book bag so we can send home a new story.

Please send your child in with a named water bottle.

**Curriculum Sharing is on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 9am in the school hall.**

### Home Learning

Can you continue to practice recognising the s, a, t and i sounds and forming them.

Can you continue to practice oral blending games, for example, can you get me the 'h – a – m'. Can you 'h – o – p'.

Read your child's chosen story book with them.