



Heyhouses Reception Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 Week 1



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This Week

The children have come back to school full of renewed energy and we have enjoyed listening to their Half Term news. Thank you for sending in some wonderful photos of your Half Term activities.

The focus text was 'Celebrations around the world' a non-fiction book in which the children looked at different reasons for people celebrating. We talked about Halloween and Bonfire Night as well as Diwali, the Hindu Festival of lights. The children shared their own experiences of celebrating these special times and enjoyed hearing stories about the meaning behind these traditions. We experimented with clay to make Diyas, a traditional lamp used for decoration around Diwali, symbolising the victory of light over darkness and the welcoming of prosperity.

Phonics

This was a review week. The children have been reading and writing CVC words.

We continue to read every day with the children at school.

Maths

We have continued to focus on pattern, but with more complex patterns. The children are learning to identify the unit of repeat, which is the smallest part of a pattern, which helps us to know how to continue it.

Lessons have focused on recognising and describing an AABC pattern, building an AABC pattern and correcting an error in a pattern.

Notices

- Please can children come to school in their PE tracksuits Wednesday (5th) instead of Thursday (6th) next week as we are hoping to have a campfire, weather permitting.
- Please send in any tubes (toilet roll/kitchen roll) and ribbon next week for making rockets with! Any other small cardboard boxes from your recycling are also always gratefully received (no egg boxes).

Dates for your diary

Nativity dates – 9.15 – 10am

Sycamore class – Monday 1st December

Blossom class – Wednesday 3rd December

Oak class – Thursday 4th December

Other dates this half term

- Friday 14th November – own 'party' clothes for celebrating Clever Cub's birthday.
- Wednesday 17th December – own 'party' clothes for reception Christmas party day.

