

# Reception News

Week ending 13th November 2020

Hello Everyone!



This week, the children have been talking about how they celebrate the day they were born on their Birthday and have shared stories about their own family customs and traditions. We have loved looking at each other's baby photos and the children have tried to guess who's who! Please talk to your child about your memories of the day they were born and how your family celebrated. On Friday, each class went on a Bear Hunt and found a teddy in our Wild At Heart Area. We brought them back to our classrooms and found out that it is soon to be Teddy's Birthday so we are going to plan a surprise party for them. (See the invitation in your bags for more details).

In honour of Remembrance Day, we have talked to the children about the meaning behind wearing a Poppy and they have produced some Poppy artwork in tribute to those who have fought for our country, past and present.



The letter sounds (phonemes) we have taught this week are **e, u and r**.

We have also worked on reading and writing tricky words including **'I', 'to', 'the' and 'go'**.

In maths, the magic number has been '6' so we have played lots of dice games, counting the spots and adding 2 dice together. We have found different ways to make 6 (3+3, 4+2, 5+1) and we have practised recording our sums. The shapes of the week were hexagons and pentagons.

As this Saturday marks the Hindu Festival of Diwali, the children learned about the 'Festival of Light' and how Hindu families will be celebrating. We have also made a Diya Tea Light Holder from clay. These will be decorated next week.

## Birthday Topic



Please send in any spare Birthday wrapping paper and balloons for activities next week.

Thank you!

## Evidence Me

You should now have received some observations of your child working and playing in school via the Evidence Me App. Please let us know if you change your email address or any of your contact details.

Coming soon.....

**Our new school website is due to go 'live' from next week so look out for the Reception Department pages which will feature a new 'Blog' section about life in Reception with lots of lovely photos of the week's events.**

## Drinks in school

Please can you ensure that you only send **water** in your child's water bottle and not juice or flavoured water, unless there is a good reason for you to do this. The children know we are a healthy school and they should only be drinking water (or milk). They soon notice if their friends have something different and it is hard for us to explain why this is. We will encourage all the children to keep drinking at regular intervals through the day. Thank you for your support.