Diary Dates

Saturday 17th Nov – Autumnfest

Tuesday 20th Nov – Vision check

Friday 23rd Nov – Nasal Flu Vaccination

Friday 30th Nov – No Afterschool Club

Tuesday 18th Dec – EYFS Nativity (9.30am)

Give Me 5

This week we have introduced ‘Give Me 5’ to encourage children to develop better listening skills. This is:

\*Eyes looking \*Ears Listening

\*Hands Still \* Mouth Closed

\*Brain Ready

Friday 16th November

This week we have been working on some tricky addition in our maths work this week. The children have worked really hard to achieve the objective ‘finds the total number of items in two groups by counting all of them’ using all of the amazing conkers and acorns you collected on your autumn walks. We have worked so hard and impressed both Mrs Molyneux and Miss Crook with our amazing work when they have popped into our classroom this week. In our Literacy work we have been sharing one of my favourite stories…’The Gruffalo’. As a class we know this story so well we can almost recite the whole thing without looking at the book! The children have helped to create the creatures from the story to decorate our ‘deep dark woods’ role play area and have been cooking up a storm in our ‘Gruffalo Café’ mud kitchen…with delicious meals like scrambled snake, otter pie and hedgehog soup on the menu!

 Thank you From The Reception Class Team

Reading Books

Please continue to practise your child’s key ring of ‘tricky words’ as often as possible, we would like the children to read independently. Let us know when they are able to read all the words and we will add the next set.

We are now starting to send home 2 books with some children each week. One book with words and one without. All children will move onto books with words when their confidence with their keyring words increases.

Please ensure you write in your child’s diary to let us know when they have read their books and how they have been getting on with them.

**Today I am sending home some more phonics words to practise with your child, as a class we are struggling with blending the sounds together to read but with practise we will get there!**

Thank you for your support

This week we have enjoyed…

\*Role playing as the fire brigade and using spray bottles to put out fires.

\*Building dens for the Gruffalo

\*Investigating our Autumn Treasures

\* Printing leaves to create our ‘deep dark woods’ role play area

This week we have been learning…

* To retell ‘The Gruffalo’ story
* About animals that live in the British Woodland
* To count the number of objects in two groups to find a total
* About the importance of being a good friend and being kind to one another as part of Anti-Bullying Week

Keep in touch

\*Follow us on twitter @stgregorys\_EYFS

\*You can also contact me directly by email if you have any concerns or questions:

[eyfs@st-gregorys-pri.lancs.sch.uk](NULL)

\*Send observations of your child’s learning at home by replying to the 2Simple report you have already received.

\* You can also use ClassDojo to send quick messages.

**Homework**

The children will have until **Thursday 20th December** to complete as many of the challenges as possible. Thank you for support in completing the challenges so far, your contributions are really valuable to us.

Snack

In order to be able to provide a daily snack, we ask for a donation of £1 per week, per child.

Thank you for your contributions.