

TRAWDEN FOREST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Class Topic Newsletter - Autumn 2 -Reception



Dear Parents/guardians,

Your children have settled into the school routine amazingly and are learning and developing really well. This half term, before the excitement of Christmas really kicks in , we will be basing our learning on superheroes. We will be starting with Bonfire Night and fireworks and looking at real-life heroes such as firefighters before moving on to comic book and story heroes. Towards the end of term we will be completing one of our 'Bucket List' activities by having a Superhero day where children can come dressed as their favourite superhero and enjoy some fun superhero

HAPPY BIRTH TO YOU!



P.E. is on a Monday. Please can you ensure your child has a named P.E. kit and a pair of named black pumps.



Children have access to fruit snacks in the morning. You may like to send in a **healthy** snack for the afternoon—

eg fruit, cereal bar.

Children also have milk in the afternoon. Please send in water only in a named bottle.

Key Dates:

Monday 4th November PTFA Toasty Morning - 10p per slice

Friday 8th November

Remembrance Coffee Afternoon with y6 Sale.



Friday 15th November Children In Need "Pennies for Pudsey"

Tuesday 26th November Fun with Maths free course for parents

Monday 2nd December PTFA Toasty

Morning - 10p per slice

Tuesday 3rd December PTFA pop-up **Christmas Shop**

Tuesday 3rd December Fun with Phonics free course for parents

Thursday 5th December PTFA pop-up **Christmas Shop**

Friday 6th December Intra Health Flu **Immunisations**

Wednesday 11th December Nativity performance 2.00pm & 6.00pm

Friday 13th December Reception Superhero Day—dress as your

favourite superhero.



Monday 16th -Wednesday 18th

December Go Velo cycling training

Tuesday 17th December Carol Service 6.30pm

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Dinner and special visitor

Thursday 19th December School closes for Christmas at 2:00pm NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



Our learning this half-term:

Our topic 'Kapow! Bam!
Smash! looks at real and
fictional heroes and
superheroes. We will then



move on to Nativity and Christmas activities. Below are some initial activities for the areas of learning:

Communication and Language

Children will be following instructions, listening to other superheroes and learning to talk like a Superhero.

Physical Development

Moving like a superhero, jumping, keeping safe on Bonfire night.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Taking turns in challenges, finding out about how/what people celebrate.

Literacy

Beginning to read and write simple words and sentences linked to superheroes



Mathematics

Counting, sorting and grouping objects linked to heroes, count down, comparing sizes.

Understanding the World

Investigating superpowers—melting and freezing, people who help, bonfire night.

Expressive Arts and Design

Wow Paintings, create superheroes/ vehicles Christmas cards & other seasonal activities. Singing related to Christmas & nativity.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will take part in a nativity performance on 11th December.

Watch out for further details of costuming and tickets in the coming weeks!



Homework:

All children should have started to bring home reading books. These will be changed on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**, providing an adult has commented in the reading record. Some children's first levelled books may have pictures only. This provides you and your child with the opportunity to talk about what is happening within each story and become familiar with how books work. Later books may focus on particular tricky words or may have more decodable words which your child can attempt to read. Whilst it is not necessary for your child to be able to read every single word in a book, it is important for your child to attempt these words. As your child develops their reading skills we may sometimes wish for you to revisit a previous story with your child taking more of a lead in reading. Your child will also bring home a sounds and word pack linked to their phonics learning.

If you require any further information about how we can support your child further during their Reception year, just let a member of the Reception staff know.

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