



Monday 21st October

This week in Reception

This week we will also learn about Diwali, which is a Hindu and Sikh festival of light. This year Diwali is celebrated on 31st October. The children will be learning how Diwali is celebrated. They will use clay to make divas.

Phonics Phonic focus for this week

ee ur ow
wh y au

This week we will introduce the sounds 'e', 'u' and 'r'. We will use Monster Phonic actions and songs to help support the learning. We will introduce the tricky words 'to' and 'into'.

Maths

We will be revising this term's learning- recapping ordering, one more, one less and numeral formation. We will complete some pattern work related to our Diwali learning.



What can you do at home?

1. Please help your child practise the sounds and make sure the sound book is in their book bag the following Thursday so the new sounds can be stuck in.
2. Practise reading the tricky words we have covered. Mini flashcards are at the back of your child's sound book and you can look for the tricky words in books.
3. **This week your child will bring home a reading book to share with you. Please write a comment in the reading record when you read with your child.**
4. Practise writing numerals 1-5.
5. Keep practising name writing using the school script and the correct pencil grip.
6. Practise putting on and taking off coats and jumpers, some children are finding it particularly difficult when sleeves are inside out. Also, practise doing up zips on coats.



Action points

★There is no show and tell this week. After half term Group 2 will be showing on Friday 8th November and the theme is 'Autumn'. The children can bring in autumn objects collected from a walk, photos of them out finding autumn objects or they can make an autumn picture using autumn objects. It is up to you, you can be as creative as you like. Group 3 will be on November 15th.

★We visit the Library every Tuesday. Please return the book the following Tuesday so your child can choose a new one.

★Junk materials- We have lots of tubes and egg boxes. Thank you. The only junk we are collecting, at present, are flat packed boxes.

Finally, school finishes on Thursday afternoon for all pupils. All the children have settled in brilliantly and worked hard. Have a very happy half term break!

If you have any concerns please feel free to come and chat to one of us.

Reception Team