



# Reception News

## 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024



### What we've been learning recently

**Literacy** – Last week, our focus text was The Little Red Hen. The children enjoyed learning the story using actions so they could retell it orally. To immerse them in the story, the children got to bake and eat bread rolls. Many of them commented that it was the best snack time ever! In Phonics, we have focused on our letter formation, segmenting, blending and reading captions including tricky words.

**Maths** – Last week, we were finding 1 more and 1 less. We also continued to develop our ability to subitize numbers 1 – 5. This week, we have been learning to recognise 4 sided shapes. The children noticed that there are lots of 4 sided shapes in our learning environment.

**Wider Curriculum** – It's been very busy in Reception over the past two weeks. Some highlights include taking part in the Santa Fun Run, eating Christmas Lunch, watching the KS1 Nativity and performing in the Reception and Nursery Christmas Singalong. The children have also made Christmas calendars, cards and decorations.

### Next term we will be...

- Starting our new Winter Topic which includes learning about animals and their habitats.
- Beginning to learn Level 3 sounds and tricky words in Phonics.
- Starting a unit of gymnastics lessons in PE.
- Going on a school trip to the Eden Project – an e-mail was sent out on 19<sup>th</sup> December with information about this.

### Important Notices

**PE Kit** – PE kits have been sent home so they can be washed and brought back into school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**Outdoor Learning** – We will continue to learn outdoors every Wednesday. Please ensure your child is sent into school wearing old, warm clothes (instead of their school uniform). They also need wellies, a waterproof coat and waterproof trousers if you have these. In case of heavy rain and mud, please ensure your child has a spare change of clothes.

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### Shining Stars

Congratulations to our Shining Stars from the last two weeks for demonstrating our school values.

**RB** – Ivar, Hazel, Bo, George

**RW** – Gracie-Mai, Roman M, Jacob, Addie