



# Reception News

## 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025



### What we've been learning recently

**Literacy** – This week, we have used the story *Lost and Found* as a stimulus for learning. The children have discussed answers to comprehension questions and have thought about what they would pack if they were taking a trip to Antarctica. Many children have started to learn new, Level 3 sounds in phonics.

**Maths** – Last week, we were learning to recognise, explore and write the number 0. This week, we have been learning about the composition of 4 and 5. Using part-part-whole models, the children have been showing how many ways they can make 4 and 5.

**Wider Curriculum** – Last week's snow, hail and ice was perfectly timed as we introduced our new Winter themed learning. This week, we have been learning about the places on our planet that have the longest and coldest winters: the polar regions. We have learned what they are called, where they are and what animals you find there. The children are getting good at remembering which animals live in the Arctic and which are found in Antarctica!

### Over the next fortnight we will be...

- Basing our learning around an animated story: *The Girl Who Went to the Arctic*.
- Learning about the lives of people that live in the Arctic.
- Learning about Chinese New Year.
- Continuing a unit of Gymnastic lessons in PE.
- Taking part in cookery lessons every Wednesday.

### Important Notices

**School trip to Eden** – We will be going on a school trip to The Eden Project on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February. You should have received an e-mail with information about the trip before Christmas and a reminder recently. Please follow the link and complete the MS Form online. Thank you.

**Wednesdays** – For the rest of this half term, children will have the opportunity to take part in cookery lessons instead of outdoor learning. Please send children in normal school uniform on Wednesdays.

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### Shining Stars

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

**RB** – Nazifa, Sully, Connie, Hattie

**RW** – Ada, Ivar, Finn, Brodie